Facts relating to Chinese and Japanese in United States.

Population	April 15, 1910	December 31, 1919
Chinese	36,248	33,271
Japanese	41,356	87,279
Total	77,604	120,450

Births same period	
Chinese	3,741
Japanese	27,828
Total	31,569

"CITIZENSHIP "

From California and the Oriental.

The low caste Hindus, although subjects of the British Crown, are denied citizenship by practically all the British colonies; in fact, they have been forced to leave Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa. (Special Report of State Bureau of Labor Statistics, January 6, 1919.)

HINDU "The Hindu has no morals." (Quoted from Special Report Of State Bureau of Labor Statistics, January 6, 1919.) Court records and the files in the offices of district attorney and probation officer in Imperial County show an exceedingly high record of vicious crimes by Hindus or Sikhs in that county. (Report of State Council of Defense, Imperial County Division, December 4, 1918.)

The low caste Hindus and Sikhs are not eligible to citizenship in the United States, but in a very few cases natives of India of high caste have proven to the satisfaction of the court their Caucasian blood and have been admitted to citizenship.

According to W. P. Shaughnessy of Shaughnessy and Atherton, attorneys, counsel for the Hindus in California, "Hindus are no longer admitted into the United States nor are those who are here permitted to bring in their wives or children."

One investigator for the Board of Control states that Hindus, although ineligible to citizenship and therefore not entitled to legal ownership of land under the California alien land act, nevertheless own many parcels of land in California and are purchasing more land.

CHINESE Chinese are ineligible to citizenship. American-born children of Chinese parents are American citizens and constitute the larger portion of our Chinese population. As a result of the effective Chinese exclusion laws and of the high mortality and low birhh rate prevailing among them, this element of our Oriental population is steadily declining in numbers.

The effectiveness of the Chinese exclusion law is largely due to the fact that the United States determines for itself the admissibility of applicants. In the case of the Japanese, on the other hand, the power of determining who is entitled to a passport, and therefore, admissible, has been surrendered to the Japanese government.

JAPANESE As to the citizenship of Japanese, the Civil Code of Japan, volume 3 article 66, reads as follows:

"A child is a Japanese if his father ~~is~~ her father is a Japanese at the time of his or her birth."

Once a Japanese, always a Japanese.

Every Japanese, wherever born, is a citizen of Japan, unless expatriated. Every Japanese in the United States, whether American-born or not, is a citizen of Japan and as such is subject to military duty to Japan from the age o of seventeen years until forty years of age, unless expatriated. The American-born Japanese holds dual citizenship; first, allegiance to Japan with compulsory military service; and second, rights of citizenship in America. Under such circumstances, a Japanese, though born in America and thereby acquiring all the rights and privileges of an American citizen, owes his first obligation of allegiance and military service to Japan. It is contended by writers on international law that because our country is cognizant of this dual citizenship with its requirement of compulsory military service to Japan, the United States, in event of war with Japan, could not comand military service from the American-born Japanese but would be obliged to permit them to return to Japan, there to rend military service in behalf of Japan. American-born Japanese would appear to be enjoying all the advantages of American citizenship without assuming the most important responsibilities of such citizenship.

While it is possible for American-born Japanese to renounce allegiance to Japan, the Japanese Vice Consul, Ishii, at San Francisco, states that not to exceed a dozen such American-born children have signed the "Declamation of Losing Nationality," provided for that purpose by the Japanese law. So far as could be learned, none of these have been accepted by the Japanese government, in accordance with the provisions of the Civil Code of Japan.

CITIZENSHIP OF CHILDREN, BORN IN THE UNITED STATES, OF ALIENS WHO ARE INCAPABLE OF NATURALIZATION.

By Prof. John Norton Pomeroy of the University of Illinois?

Wherever doubts may have existed, prior to 1898, concerning the meaning of the definition of "citizens" contained in the fourteenth amendment, were set at rest by the case of United States vs/ Wong Kim Ark, 169 U.S. 649, holding that a Chinaman, born of parents residing in this country, and returning about a year after his majority, from a visit to China, was not subject to the Chinese exclusion acts; he having never gained a new residence or renounced his allegiance to the United States.

In other words, the fourteenth amendment means precisely what it says. 169 U.S. 668. "It is the inherent right of every independent nation to determine for itself, and according to its own constitution and laws, what classes of persons shall be entitled to citizenship." So long as the child remains in the United States, therefore, his political status is a question of our municipal law, for determination by our courts. When, however, he comes within the territorial jurisdiction of the country of his parents, it may be that under the laws of that country he is a citizen thereof, and subject to

duties of allegiance thereto. It then becomes a question of diplomatic policy to what extent and under what circumstances the United States shall undertake to afford him protection. For numerous examples of our diplomatic practice, see 3 Moore, Digest of International Law, pp 532 et seq.; that practice has not always been consistent; see Id. p 534, Case of Pinto.

Summary: When Japanese born in United States may claim in United States rights of United States citizenship.

1. A Japanese child, born in this country, who has never left this country, is plainly a citizen under our laws, as much as any other native born person.
If he goes to Japan, his political status there is a matter fo Japanese law and United States diplomacy.
2. If he is taken to Japan during minority and (1) returns to this country for a permanent stay shortly after majority, he thereby elects his United States citizenship; of if he (2) returns before majority for a permanent stay, his remaining after majority constitutes such election. Dicta and logic support the opinion, in this latter case: (3) that his rights of citizenship may always be asserted, immediately upon his return to the United States.
3. The status of a Japanese child taken to Japan during minority and returning some years after attaining majority is a question of fact, depending on the circumstances of each case.
4. However, a Japanese child may, under statute, lose his United States citizenship by foreign naturalisation of oath of allegiance; of, if a female by marriage to an alien.
The above memorandum relates to citizenship, and the political rights flowing therefrom. Civil status, with the rights of inheritance, marriage, etc., involve the question of domicile, which is an entirely different matter.

California bears in mind that there are now 21,611 Japanese minor children, bornin California, all of whom will shortly become full-fledged voters, some already having acquired that right. To this number must be added approximately 5000 American-born Japanese temporarily domiciled in Japan for educational purposes who are eligible to return here at any time and who will, upon reaching majority, exercise the right to vote.
Besides these there must be counted those Japanese who are citizens of the Hawaiian Islands, and therefore, American citizens, and who are coming to California in ever-increasing numbers.

SCHOOLS.

Orientals attend the American public schools. In fact, in a number of district the Japanese now constitute the major part of the attendance, whites and Japanese attending the same school, together.

The Japanese, besides attending the American public schools, thereby acquiring the English language and a knowledge of the American customs, in many districts they also attend private Japanese schools conducted in the Japanese language in which are taught the language, laws, customs, history and religion of Hapan. In 1919, the Japanese Association stated that there were in California seventy-five such Japanese language schools, which they designate as "supplementary" schools.

"The Treaty with China of 1880 provided that " "the Government of the United States may regulate, limit or suspend such coming or residence of Chinese (laborers), but may not absolutely prohibit it. The limitation or suspension shall be reasonable and shall apply only to XXXXX laborers."

Article II provides that: "Chinese laborers who are now in the United States shall be allowed to go and come of their own free will and accord, and shall be accorded all the rights, privileges, immunities, and exemptions which are accorded to citizens and subjects of the most favored nation."

Article III provides that in case of ill treatment the "Government of the United States will exert all its power to devise measures for their protection and to secure to them the same rights, privileges, immunities and exemptions as may be enjoyed by citizens or subjects of the most favored nation, and to which they are entitled by treaty."

LAWS RELATING TO THE ADMISSION OF CHINESE.
Providing for the enforcement of the exclusion treaty with China.

Section 1. That section one of the act entitled "An act to execute certain treaty stipulations relating to Chinese," approved May sixth, eighteen hundred and eighty-two, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"Whereas in the opinion of the government of the United States the coming of Chinese laborers to this country endangers the good order of certain localities within the territory thereof; Therefore

"Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the passage of this act, and until the expiration of ten years next after the passage of this act, the coming of Chinese laborers to the United States be, and the same is hereby suspended, and during such suspension it shall not be lawful for any Chinese laborer to come from any foreign port or place, or having so come to remain within the United States."

"That before any Chinese passengers are landed from any such vessel, the Chinese inspector in charge, or his deputy, shall proceed to examine such passengers, comparing the certificates with the list and with the passengers; and no passenger shall be allowed to land in the United States from such vessell in violation of law."

Act of September 13, 1888.

That from and after the passage of this act, no Chinese laborer in the United States shall be permitted, after having left, to return thereto, except under the conditions stated in the following sections.

That no Chinese laborer within the purview of the preceding section shall be permitted to return to the United States unless he has a lawful wife, child, or parent in the United States, or property therein of the value of one thousand dollars, or debts of like amount due him and pending settlement.

Act of May 5, 1892.

Section 1. That all laws now in force prohibiting and regulating the coming into this country of Chinese persons and persons of Chinese descent are hereby continued in force for a period of ten years from the passage of this act.

Act of April 29, 1904

Section 1. All laws in force on the twenty-ninth day of April, nineteen hundred and two, regulating, suspending, or prohibiting the coming of Chinese persons or persons of Chinese descent into the United States, and the residence of such persons therein, be, and the s ame are hereby, reenacted, extended and continued, without modification, limitation, or condition; and said laws shall

also apply to the island territory under the jurisdiction of the United States, and prohibit the immigration of Chinese laborers, not citizens of the United States, from such island territory to the mainland territory of the United States, whether in such island territory at the time of cession or not, and from one portion of the island territory of the United States to another portion of said island territory; Provided however, That said laws shall not apply to the transit of Chinese laborers from one island to another island of the same group; and any island within the jurisdiction of any State or the district of Alaska shall be considered a part of the mainland under this section."

THE ADMISSIBLE CLASSES.

Only those Chinese persons who are expressly declared by the treaty and laws relating to the exclusion of Chinese to be admissible shall be allowed to enter the United States, and those only upon compliance with the requirements of said treaty and laws and of rules issued thereunder. The admissible classes, therefore, are teachers; students; travelers for curiosity or pleasure; merchants and their lawful wives and minor children; officials of the Chinese Government and their body and household servants; Chinese persons holding the return certificate prescribed by Rules 13 and 15; those seeking in good faith to pass through the country to foreign territory as provided in Rules 17 and 18; persons whose physical condition necessitates immediate hospital treatment; Chinese persons shown to have been born in the United States; and the wives and children of such Chinese American citizens; and seamen as provided in Rule 7.

ORIENTAL WORK IN SAN FRANCISCO.

Dec. 7, 1920 - Sub-committee of the Orientals Mission Council composed of Mrs. Cadwallader, Presbyterian; Mrs. McClintic, Methodist; Miss Mills, Y.W.C.A. Mrs. McClintic reported Methodist Board had decided to discontinue all rescue work for girls and to turn this over to the Presbyterian Board. Mrs. McClintic reported the Methodist Board not ready to make recommendation concerning work for innocent girls.

Jan. 1921 , a Presbyterian Committee (Miss Tooker, Mrs. Cadwallader, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Hall) recommended to the Boards of Foreign Missions "that as regards the homes for Chinese girls conducted by the Presbyterian and Methodists, we do not believe that there should be a distribution of types of work to the two denominations, but that there should be a joint committee of the two to conduct the entire work of the homes, both for rescued and for other girls." Is this the better way?

Jan. 28, 1921 - Special committee on consolidation of educational work among the Chinese.

1. Adhere strictly to the fundamental document. This fundamental document contains the original plan proposed in 1918 which distinctly states that no attempt should be made to merge or obliterate denominations, and that the present endeavor is a united drive of allies, in which each one of the allies is more enthusiastically loyal to its own colors than ever before and at the same time has the joy, inspiration and strength of carrying on the whole line of advance side by side with other heroic forces.
2. In a cooperative endeavor, where more than one phase of service is needed, arrangements may be made to divide responsibility among the Churches.
3. Where more than one denomination desire to provide some phase or phases of service, the administrative board shall seek to equalize the assignments of service among the several denominations in accordance with their ability to provide for the service needed, and in accordance with the advantages accruing therefrom. (This is known as the principle of reciprocity. This principle of "give and take" establishes a sense of fair play, of equity and justice, which makes the task easier for all concerned. Those who surrender some advantage, do so the more readily when they realize that by their sacrifices members of their own order gain an equal advantage in some other phase of endeavor. Denominational leaders and agents more readily yield advantage at one point, when they understand that they acquire advantage at another point, in addition to their common gains and advantages.)

June 10, 1921 - Occidental Board special meeting, quotation from Minutes "Directors unanimously expressed their willingness to cooperate in any plan (regarding Oriental work) decided upon by the National Board and has requested to continue management until probable change has been decided upon or until the National Board made their provisions. It was moved and carried that Miss Tooker be made general manager for the mission homes and the day schools operated by Occidental Board."

Mrs. Cadwallader then stated that National Board had made the following requests : First, That no building projects be undertaken until the responsibility for continuation of work is decided upon.
Second, That the Chinese Mission under Occidental Board live within its budget of $18,322.00 and there be no solicitation for funds from churches or auxiliaries. Thirs, That monthly reports, if possible, be made to the National Board.

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The General Manager is further authorized to select such helpers as she may need from time to time.

The General Manager accepts the responsibility of living within the budget or of meeting the deficit. It being understood that no solicitations for extra funds be made in churches or auxiliaries.

The Secretary was instructed to write Mrs. Gilliland of the new plan of management and that all buying, of all kinds, is under supervision of General Manager. Miss Gilliland to tell Miss Jones and Miss Mills.

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AN INTERDENOMINATIONAL ADVISORY ORGANIZATION OF THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SEVERAL DENOMINATIONAL AND OTHER MISSIONS FOR ORIENTALS. AFFILIATED WITH THE HOME MISSIONS COUNCILS

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., 192

Minutes.
December 7, 1920.

A Sub-commitee of the Oriental Missions Council composed of Mrs. Cadwallader and Mrs. McClintic with the addition of Miss Mills met December 7, to consider the question referred to it, that of the co-operation between the Methodist and Presbyterian Boards in the matter of work for Chinese girls.

Mrs. McClintic reported for the Methodist Board that it had decided to discontinue all rescue work for girls and defining rescue work to the satisfaction of both Boards turn this phase of its activities entirely over to the Presbyterian Board.

Mrs. McClintic reported that the Methodist Board was not ready to make any recommendation concerning work for innocent girls.

It was suggested that the Methodist Board study the needs of Chinese boys and take steps to establish a suitable home for them.
It was recommended that the Chinese Y.W.C.A. extend its work to meet the needs of housing Chinese business girls, students, travelers and other women and girls needing its care.

Respectfully submitted,
M. B. Mills
Secretary,

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January 1921.

TO THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS
AND
WOMAN'S BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

After carefully reviewing the situation concerning the Oriental work in California and in view of recent discussions that have been held by the Oriental Missions Council and various American workers here, your committee has reached the following conclusions, which we herewith respectfully submit to the Board of Foreign Missions, and the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, with the request that they be considered very seriously and that appropriate action be taken as soon as possible.

1. While there is a general desire on the part of American workers to cooperate and unite quite fully, as expressed in the "Findings" of the conference held in October, there seems no expectation that the desired results can be effected by the workers on the Coast, without initial action by the Boards, because of the inability of some of the workers to take the necessary initiative with their own Boards.

2. It becomes therefore a matter for the administrative Boards to decide and to instruct their workers.

3. We therefore recommend (a) that the Assembly's Board and the Woman's Board of our church take up with the other Boards the Findings which refer to Presbyterian work, in order that the Findings may be made effective.
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(Signed) Weston T. Johnson
Mrs. Rawlins Cadwallader
Mary R. Tooker
Ernest F. Hall

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The Directors of Occidental Board met at the call of the President at 920 Sacramento Street at one o'clock, June 10, 1921. Those present were: Mesdames Cadwallader, Campbell, Robinson, Chown, Horsburgh, Kennedy, Miss Beardsley and later Miss Tooker and still later Miss Cameron.

The President was in the chair and the meeting opened with prayer by Mrs. Robinson.

The minutes of a special meeting on May 6th were read. The portion regarding District Headquarters was ordered eliminated from minutes because of its being work of Occidental District and not of Occidental Board Corporation. With this correction, minutes were approved.

Mrs. Cadwallader then presented the probability of having to turn the Chinese Work over to the Home Board so the administration of Oriental Work in the Presbyterian Church would conform to methods of all other Protestant Churches.

While no official action had as yet been taken the matter had been carefully gone into at General Assembly by officers of both the Assembly's and the Woman's Foreign Boards, and they unanimously requested Mrs. Cadwallader to present matter to Directors and to Miss Tooker and Miss Cameron at her earliest convenience.

While it came as a surprise and of necessity, any thought of giving up this child of a half century's prayers and labors brought a feeling of grief, yet it was agreed by all that devotion to the work made us willing to accept any plan for the betterment of the work. The reasons given at Winona and restated by Mrs. Cadwallader commended themselves as being evident and practical and the Directors unanimously expressed their willingness to co-operate most loyally in any plan decided upon by the National Board and as requested, to continue management until

[illegible] until the National Board made

other provisions. It was also agreed that the work should not pass out of our hands encumbered by debt.

It was moved by Mrs. Kennedy and seconded by Mrs Chown that Miss Tooker be made General Manager for the Mission Homes and the Day Schools operated by Occidental Board. Motion carried unanimously.

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It was decided not to set a time for stated meetings but that the President should call meetings at such times as the General Manager of Chinese Work was ready to report or as otherwise needed.

The minutes of the meeting were approved upon the condition that when fully written out they be submitted to President and General Manager for final approval.

Meeting adjourned to convene at call of the Chair.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanette R. Kennedy,
Secretary.

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THE WOMAN'S BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS
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June 13, 1921.

Mrs. Fred S. Bennett,
Woman's Board of Home Missions,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City, New York.

Dear Mrs. Bennett:-

I am sending you with this letter the action taken at the last meeting of the Foreign Board on June 6th, in regard to the future of the work among Orientals in this country. I think the action is self-explanatory and we shall look forward to a conference of the Committee of our Boards which has been appointed to meet with a similar Committee from the two Boards of Home Missions as stated in the action of the Foreign Board taken on the 6th.

This action was informally considered by the Executive Committee of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions which this month met before the United Executive Council of the two Boards and therefore there was no recommendation before the women, but they thought it was the logical thing to do. When Council met it was the united recommendation of the men and women to the two Boards, so it really comes officially to you from the women.

This action is really one of the outgrowths of the Oriental Conference whose Findings you have undoubtedly read. Some of the definite reasons that influenced us were: (1) our rescue work for girls is the best there is; (2) there is great overlapping and duplication in various phases of the work; (3) taking the work as a whole there is extravagance in its management when we consider the comparatively few Orientals on the Coast and the amount of money spent for them as compared with that spent in similar work in China; (4) I think it was a good deal due to my influence that the increased appropriation of $ 5000. for this work this year went through but it is not enough as we all know, yet there is little prospect of our being able in the near future to do anything more; (5) the fact that we are the only Foreign Board doing this kind of work is a handicap in the cooperative making and carrying out of plans; (6) if our Church were to take it up now as a new enterprise it would of course be done by the Home and not the Foreign Boards; (7) as a Foreign Board we cannot manage the work as we should with the whole width of the continent between us. We do not have the machinery for such work and the Woman's Board of Home Missions has. The women on the Coast were planning to ask Miss Voss on her return from Alaska to study the situation and give us the benefit of her experience in school administration, even before this proposition was made, which shows that we feel we are not equipped for school management. It also shows that we know the Woman's Board of Home Missions is and that we have such friendly relations that we do not hesitate to ask a pretty large favor of them.

Of course we realize that such a proposed transfer cannot be accomplished in a day but if it is the right thing the sooner we begin thinking about it the better. We also realize that the transfer of financial responsibility must probably be gradual, though it would be quite possible that the transfer of authority should be made at one time.

A similar letter has been sent to Dr. Marquis and we hope that both of the Home Boards will appoint committees to confer with us at an early date.

Sincerely yours,

Margaret E. Hodge

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S SECRETARY
TREASURER
MISS JANET McMULLAN, ASSISTANT TREASURER

June 24, 1921.

Dear Miss Dawson:-

Miss Sheibley told me that you would like to know the operating expenses of the work under the Foreign Board in San Francisco that would come to the Woman's Board of Home Missions. Enclosed is a general statement. You probably will want a little explanation of this, though I confess I do not understand it all myself. The three items under Class V. - Occidental School, Home School, Girls' Home - mean in general the school work and the salaries of Miss Cameron and the other missionaries at 920 Sacramento Street, and I think include a kindergarten held either in that building or in a church or hired building quite near there. Tooker Home is the home for little children in Oakland.

Sincerely yours,

Margaret E. Hodge
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Miss Hodge was obliged to leave the
office before this letter was typed.

Tuesday, June 28, 1921

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The following representatives met in the office of Dr. Marquis to consider the proposition made to the Home Boards by the Boards of Foreign Missions in regard to the Home Boards taking over the work among the Orientals in America:-

Mrs. Bennett
Miss Hyatt
Miss Dawson
Dr. Marquis
Dr. McDowell

GENERAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE
REC'D 1921
ANS'D
By
WOMAN'S BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS

Mrs. Bennett was elected Chairman of the meeting and Miss Dawson, Secretary. Mrs. Bennett presented the question of work among the Orientals in America as it was outlined in the Addresses and Findings of Conferences held in Los Angeles and San Francisco in October 1920. These findings emphasized the fact that all of the work among Orientals in America was under Home Mission Boards with the exception of the Presbyterian and urged that for cooperative reasons the Presbyterian be placed under the Home Boards. The further findings of the committees in regard to overlapping and extravagance were emphasized.

The representatives of the Home Boards considered the proposition with sympathetic interest and formulated the following questions to present at a conference with representatives of the Foreign Boards:-

1. What is the attitude of the local representatives of the Foreign Boards on turning work among the Orientals over to the Home Agencies?

2. What would be the attitude of the Foreign Boards and their local representatives on combining Presbyterian enterprises among Orientals in the United States with other Protestant denominations? This would mean the withdrawal of Presbyterian forces from certain localities.

3. Would the way be open without prejudice for other than evangelical and school work, such as social, community, industrial, etc.?

4. Are there political complications or embarrassments connected with this work? Does it excite prejudice among Presbyterians in California and other Pacific Coast states?

5. Has it been possible for your missionaries to keep out of the political and economic disputes on the Pacific Coast by the presence of Orientals?

6. Are the pastors of the Oriental churches in this country Orientals? Are any of them Americans?

7. How much have the local presbyteries to do with the directing of the policy of the work and its superintendence on the field?

8. Do you regard it as wise to continue school work among these people where there are good public school facilities?

9. Have you a list of your enterprises?

10. What equipment have you in the way of buildings?

11. Who holds the title to these properties?

12. How much is your annual budget for this work?

a—Women's Board.

(1) Amount raised locally, that is on the Pacific Coast.
(2) Amount taken from general funds of the Board.

b—Men's Board

(1) Total
(2) Amount raised by the Oriental churches themselves.
(3) Amount raised by the community, presbytery or synod in which the work is placed.
(4) Amount contributed from the general funds of the Board.

Dr. Marquis was asked to present the questions at the joint conference.

The meeting adjourned.

R. A. Hewson

July 1, 1921.

Dear Julia:

I was just planning to write you when your nice note relative to my illness came but immediately afterward came so many interruptions that I had no opportunity to write until today. I have really had a most stupid spring or perhaps I should say I have acted with unusual stupidity this spring. In the first place I was most tired and then caught a bad cold which settled in my throat; but having a week of angagements in Washington I went down to keep them and spoke continuously. The result was that the muscles of my throat as well as the surface got into a very bad condition. The day before the annual Meeting I was in New York all day, went to bed with a high fever that night and proceeded to have some rather hard days but the worse was that the doctor absolutely ordered me not to use my voice and to rest my body as well as my throat; so I just had to stay at home and keep away from people. I have been back now for two or three weeks and working hard but I am to take some little time off now, a leave of absence that was planned before my throat got bad but which it seems wise for me now to take.

Of course, if one starts to go away more interesting things happen than at any other time and there is so much that I would like to keep track of day by day. One or two things will probably remain in my hands because of the confusion in making transfers but I will not go to committee meetings or Board meetings. Among the very interesting matters which have been referred to me has been that of the work among Orientals. I do not know whether you have heard out there on the coast that the Foreign Boards, General and Woman's, have asked the two Home Boards to assume responsibility for all of this work. If you have not heard this, please say nothing about it at present. I think you may have heard because I have just learned that before our Home Boards had heard anything of it, the secretaries of the Home Missions Council knew that the offer was to be made.

The four Boards had a conference the other day and the Home Boards expressed a sympathetic interest in the proposition made to them but said that in view of the repeated recommendations of conferences of workers among these people and of secretaries of responsible Boards, that there should be a readjustment of such work, it would be necessary for us to investigate most carefully before giving a final answer. You doubtless know that these committees have again and againrecommended that there should be a re-distribution of the work and consolidation in places.

The main argument back of the offer was that work among Orientals is carried on by Home Boards in all denominations except the Presbyterian. It is therefore cleared through the Home Missions Council and that it would be much more simple if the Presbyterians were in line. I know considerable of the problems facing the Presbyterian work in San Francisco

but anything that you can tell me will be most gladly received. I am beginning a correspondence with some other denominations relative to this matter in order to get facts from their point of view and I have three very promising reports of the work among Orientals on the coast. Times change, do they not? We little thought that such an offer would come so soon.

I am so glad that Miss Voss had a very satisfactory visit at North Fork. She looks better than I dared hope she would after her hard trip but she is not as robust as I wish she were. She is proving herself a very capable and fine Superintendent of Field Work.

I have been looking over the comparisons in figures for the last two years as given in the last Annual Report of the Woman's Board and I want to congratulate you on your splendid advance from $20344.07 in 1918 - 1919 to $1,391.5[illegible] in 1920 - 1921. I know that this has meant devoted work on the part of Synodical and Presbyterial officers. It is a splendid testimony to their service and to the loyalty of the women and young people in the local organizations.

With every cordial good wish believe me that I am

Faithfully yours,

July 1, 1921.

Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff,
Allendale, New Jersey.

My dear Mrs. Woodruff:

I know that you have the general oversight of all work under the Woman's Board of Home Missions of the Methodist Church, so as I do not know who has charge of your Oriental work on the coast, I am writing you as the first step relative to the work that your Board and our Board is doing for Chinese girls in San Fransisco.

I am sure that you as well as some of the others of us have been distressed by the repeated reports made through the Committee on Orientals to the two Councils relative to overlapping of work for Orientals on the Pacific Coast, especially in view of the fact that these reports have been very definitely concurred in by the superintendents of the work on the coast. You will recall the report made this last year (to be found on page 198-205 in last Annual Report of Home Missions Council. On page 203 of that report you will find:

> "That the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches which maintain homes for Chinese girls, be urged so to adjust their plans as to work in cooperation in this particular with a view to conducting the rescue work apart from the work for other girls."

Presbyterian work among Orientals has been carried on by our Foreign Boards. It is now suggested that the Home Boards take over this work. Before the decision is reached, I am anxious to know where we stand on a number of situations out there, and one of these is the situation referred to in this recommendation that I have quoted. In view of the tremendous amount of work to be done in this land, I feel that we should listen to the repeated recommendations for new realignments on the mission field and I would be very glad to consult with the proper one relative to this situation to which attention is called by the above.

I am going away for two or three weeks but later will be at home and it is very probable that I shall go to the coast in the fall.

I trust that you are going to have some vacation and I remain with every cordial good wish

Faithfully yours,

MKB/S

July 5, 1921.

Dr. John A. Marquis,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Marquis:

I did not have an opportunity to see you after our conference with Miss Hodge and Mr. Wheeler to ask whether when Dr. Shriver makes his report on Orientals, it would be feasible for me to see a copy of it. It is hardly possible for us to send someone to California just now and in addition there is a certain amount of correspondence that I am desirous of doing before I go there especially with women of one or two other denominations as to possibilities of combining work in line with recommendations made by the conference on Orientals last fall.

Dr. Shriver will, I fancy, report on the serious questions of the local attitude toward the work. The political complications and otherggnneral matters that will give the background that we shall all need in ereaching decisions and of course neither Board will wish to make a definite move without the other. I shall be grateful for any help I may thus receive.

Trusting that you and the family may have a happy restful summer believe me that I am

Most cordially yours,

MKB/S

July 5, 1921.

Mrs. Rawlins Cadwalader,
1035 Geary Street,
San Francisco, Cal.

My dear Mrs. Cadwalader:

I am sure I need not say to you that the proposition which came to the two Home Boards from the two Foreign Boards relative to the work among Orientals was a great surprise and found us unprepared for immediate decision. No doubt Miss Hodge has told you that we are sympathetic in general and that we realize the logic of the arguments presented as to why this work should be turned over to the Home Boards in our denomination. At the same time, I am sure you will fully appreciate the necessity under which we rest of clearly understanding the status of the Presbyterian work and its relation to all other work being done on the coast among Orientals. I am writing you because Miss Hodge said at the meeting the other day that they had been in communication with the Board and that that Board fully understood the offer that was being made to us. Miss Hodge, I understand, has gone to Virginia for the summer and I any case I feel that I need to write to those who are more directly in touch with the work than she can possibly have been.

The questions that have arisen in our minds are (1) as to whether the local committee has given any consideration to the recommendations made by the Oriental Conference last October, looking toward the consolidation or perhaps I should say the realignment of the work being done by the Presbyterian and the Methodist people for Chinese girls. That conference made quite definite recommendations. We naturally know nothing of the objections that may be in the minds of the workers relative to these recommendations so I would like any information you can give on that.

(2) We would be glad to know whether your Board has been looking toward any changes in its plan of work or whether it had expected to continue on the same plan as heretofore.

(3) We understand that the work done by the Presbyterian women has cost something over $22,000, of which $18,000 is in the budget of the General Board. Could you tell us how much of that $18,000 is raised in California and how much in other parts of the country; also how is the other $4,000 to make up the total sum secured?

(4) While I know the work in San Francisco in a way, I do not know the work in Oakland and if you have any statements relative to that, I shall be most glad to hear them.

These are the only definite questions at this time but any help that you might give in general information or specific suggestions would be most gladly received as the matter is under consideration and I am trying to get all the needed information preparatory to a final decision.

As I finish I do recall one other question and that is that I should be glad to see the list of the former Board members and would be glad to know whether the one Board managed all the work or whether there were separate Boards for San Francisco and Oakland.

With much appreciation of any help that you can give believe me that I am

Very sincerely yours,

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July 7, 1921.

Mrs. F. S. Bennett,
BUILDING.

My dear Mrs. Bennett:

Dr. Shriver will make his report on Orientals on his return to New York in September and we shall be glad to give you a copy of it.

Is there any way in which Dr. Shriver or Dr. Donaldson can serve your Board in the matter of the proposed work among Orientals? If there are any points you would like to have inquiry made by them, we will be glad to have them do it.

Very sincerely yours

John A. Marquis

JAM:MEL.

Copy.

Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions
CHINESE MISSION HOME
920 Sacramento Street,
San Francisco, Cal.

My dear Miss Hodge:-

It seemed to Mrs. Cadwallader that someone or a group of people should be helping Miss Cameron at #920, and I was selected as the one with most leisure - and perhaps the greatest desire - to help just now. Of course, I understand that my term of office as "General Manager" is a very limited one. I took it with that thought in mind - also I fully understand that I will in no way embarrass the Home Board if it shall decide to take the work over.

The word that this Chinese work was to be offered to the Home Board came as a surprise. We all dread changes, and the relations between the Foreign Board through the dear friendliness of Dr. Halsey and this work was centered in Miss Cameron have been unusually fine and satisfying for a long term of years. So we do not like to think of a change.

On the other hand we all wish the best for the work. I have tried to think of it from an unbiassed viewpoint and I can see that much good may result, provided the work be taken over by the New York Board, as it will surely be. It should not be administered synodically nor presbyterially.

There are two outstanding needs - first that all haste be made to decide - that the matter be considered at once by the Home Board and a decision made. Certain changes are absolutely imperative to save this fine work (I mean the rescue work centered at #920). If the Home Board takes it, it will do this. If the Home Board refuses to take it, the Foreign Board must make these changes. The second great need is that the Home Board get a broad understanding of this intricate piece of work. It is different from any other work under its jurisdiction. It cannot be run in just the same way. It may have to make a new set of rules to meet this one station. There is so much which lies under the surface which one who viewsit only from the outside fails to see and value.

At present as "General Manager" I am trying to reduce the buying to some sort of system, to limit the number of people who shall buy, the number of places where we buy and the amount. I am trying to "budget" the two homes - #920 and Tooker - so that we may live on our income if possible. I have the most friendly relations with all the staff in both homes and hope to get them interested to help stop the little leaks.

The great need in both homes is an industrial teacher; the girls should be trained to work and earn, but I think I have said this before. I shall probably have to go east in the fall on business.

Cordially yours,
(Signed) Mary R. Tooker.

July 10, 1921.

THE WOMAN'S BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS
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1035 Geary Street, San Francisco.
July 20, 1921.

Mrs. F. S. Bennett
156 Fifth Avenue
New York City, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Bennett:-

Your letter relative to the Chinese work conducted by the Occidental Board came while I was in the country, and I am taking the first available moment to answer. I regret that there has been so long a delay and trust that it has not greatly inconvenienced you.

The actual proposition to ask the Home Boards to take over the work was a complete surprise to us on the coast although some of us had realized the difficulty of working in the most effective way with interdenominational committees, the rest of whom were from Home Boards. Not that there was the slightest feeling so far as I know, but the interdenominational committees constantly had to keep in mind to notify and consider a group outside the Home Council. Even when I was in New York the early part of May I knew nothing of the plan and tried to see Miss Vose with whom I wanted to talk about school work. I felt that her knowledge of educational matters in general and her intimate knowledge of Mission Schools would be of help to me in the difficult problems that faced us in the Chinese school here; but as you know she was in Alaska and I missed seeing her. At Winona where there were several of our people who had knowledge of Oriental matters on the coast the question was discussed and you know the result. I will enclose the minutes of the Occidental Board which shows the spirit in which the proposition was met by the women here.

After the reorganization of the Woman's Foreign work it became necessary for the National Board to provide in some way for the management of the Chinese work for which the Occidental Board had been responsible. The corporation must be kept alive for some years to safeguard possible bequests, etc., but we felt that a less formal committee should be appointed by the National Board for the Chinese work. This explains the request that the Occidental Board continue the management etc. It is probably not customary to send more than excerpts of minutes in cases like this but it seemed to me that you would better understand the attitude of the women, long associated with this work, if you read the entire

minute and you can easily ignore matters not relevant.

Now in answer to your questions (1) The local committee has given much thought to the suggestion of the Oriental Conference. Frequent discussions have occurred at the regular local Oriental Council and a special committee has met twice to consider the question of homes for girls. This committee was first composed of Mrs. McClintic of the Methodist Girls' Home and myself. Later Miss Mills of the Y.W.C.A. was added. I will enclose you a copy of the last recommendations made by this committee. Also a suggestive plan for the day school work in which we also have a share. Notwithstanding the numerous committee meetings held no decisions have been reached. Because most of the Boards and Agencies represented on the coast had no real authority, the Presbyterian Committee which had authority to act made certain recommendations to the Assembly Board, a copy of which I enclose. I do not think anything was ever done by the Assembly Board with these recommendations, partly because of Dr. Halsey's absence from the office, followed very closely by his death and a hesitency on the part of a Foreign Board to take the initiative in plans which so largely concerned the Home Council.

You say you know nothing of the objection to the recommendation of the Home Council. So far as I know the real objection is that no denomination is willing either to really cooperate or give up entirely and one or the other must be done if the absurdity of fourteen Protestant denominations attempting to minister to people living within the bounds of two blocks by three is to cease. The whole Chinese situation here is not a creditable one nor does it show constructive missionary statesmanship. But I must say this - that the Presbyterian work is the best along all lines.

(2) As you may know the rescue work for girls was started almost fifty years ago and while it has met with wonderful success there has been a growing feeling among those most closely identified with it that the growth of the work makes it necessary to very materially change methods.

Of course the responsibility of really bringing to pass changes rests with the head of an organization and I feel that it is only fair to say in my own behalf that when I assumed the Occidental Board responsibilities I did not anticipate certain conditions that I had almost immediately to face. I had never even so much as been an officer on the Board until the year before I became President and during that year I was out of town most of the time and took the responsibility without knowing some of the things that were about to happen - One which made a great deal of extra work for me was the reorganization period. Then when I began to look into the Chinese work found that $8,000.00 was all that was apportioned for the maintenance which was not much more than a third of what would actually be required and this in the face of the New Era plan. As you know we were given permission to raise the extra for that year. The first year I served was so very strenuous that I did not

have much time to give to constructive plans and because I was so new I did not want to act hastily but I have during these two years and a half given a lot of thought to the matter and have many questions in mind but for the most part they are questions and not convictions; although I am convinced that the whole Chinese situation in the Bay Region should be very carefully considered and as soon as possible.

(3) In our estimate this year for running expense we very carefully considered all the needs, putting in certain items in the line of rescue expense that Miss Cameron had been paying out of money given her which did not go through the treasury. There are certain other moneys received that are given personally and oft times from people who do not belong to the church. I felt that all moneys received should go through the treasury and all expenses met out of the treasury. When the Assembly's Board made their apportionments I spoke to Miss Hodge about these funds and she said if they were not solicited and did not count in the general apportionment we could use them locally, but you will see from the minutes that there is to be absolutely no solicitation in societies or churches. Then too, we receive money from children who board in the homes. I think there is no need of a deficit especially if the Chinese are solicited and a better method used in collecting board from Chinese who ought to pay. When I returned from New York I intended to go personally into the matter of finance which I have never before had the time to do, but knowing that Miss Tooker of New York who is spending some time here was not only interested in the work itself but personally in Miss Cameron, the superintendent, and also knowing that she was anxious to dig into the real work of the home I told her if she would take the financial responsibility I would ask the Directors to make her General Manager, with very wide power and you will see from the minutes that she accepted the responsibility.

(4) The work in Oakland has always been conducted by the same Board of Directors with two or three committees especially for the Oakland Home. The original purpose of making it entirely separate has never been carried out.

The Board of Directors are practically the same as they have been for years. Miss Beardsley, Mrs. Campbell and Miss Partridge have been on but a few years and of course I have only been on three years but those whose places we took were made Advisory Directors so the list as printed on Page 90 in our last report, 1920, and which I will mail you, contains the names of those who have handled the Chinese work for years.

I think I have answered you direct questions and have indicated that there is constructive planning to be done by whoever takes up the work and if the Woman's Home Board accepts the responsibility I shall be most happy to do anything I can to help and shall not be less interested because the responsibility is shifted. I hope the time will come when we can look on our church work as a whole and not, as I fear some do, just the section one happen to be responsible for. One of the real joys in the work has been to know you Dear Mrs. Bennett, to be sure largely through your public addresses or printed messages but they have been so full of the real spirit of Christ and

have never been narrowed to one outlook that they have been wonderful in helpfulness to me and I shall be most happy to be, even in the smallest way, helpful to you in this, if it becomes your responsibility or for that matter in anything.

Very sincerely yours,

Vilma Rademacher

(Mrs Rawlins)

Mrs. WILBUR F. THIRKIELD, President,
37 Kirkland St., CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

Mrs. MAY LEONARD WOODRUFF,
Corresponding Secretary,
ALLENDALE, N. J.

Woman's Home Missionary Society
of the
Methodist Episcopal Church

Mrs. D. D. THOMPSON, Recording Secretary,
1629 Hinman Ave., EVANSTON, ILL.

MRS. WARD PLATT, Treasurer,
EAST AURORA, N. Y.

Allendale, N. J., July 22, 1921.

Mrs. F. S. Bennett,

149 Dwight Place,

Englewood, N. J.

My dear Mrs. Bennett:

As you wrote you would be away from home for two or three weeks, I have not hastened to answer your letter of July 1st. I am hoping the two or three weeks have been spent in getting some rest and recreation.

We have indeed been greatly interested in the situation of the Oriental work on the Coast, and much concerned as to what should be done for the best good of the work. Last Fall, Miss Oram and I had planned to visit ou work on the Coast, but were prevented by some even more serious situation here in the East. I wish it might be possible for us to be out there during your visit. I do not know of Miss Oram's plans for the Fall, but it would not be possible for me to go until after our National Meeting which closes October 28th. I am writing miss Oram to know when she can go. Would November be too late for your visit ?

We are some what embarrassed by our new Bureau Secretary for our Chinese work. She is not sufficiently familiar with our laws governing our Bureau work to really understands what she should do. She was nominated by the retiring Bureau Secretary, and her Conference, but we did not know her personally. She is a woman of ability, and we hope may develop as time goes on. Mean time we are embarrassed. I could not recommend that you consult with Mrs. Mc Clintock unless an officer were with her to direct the interests

of our work according to our methods. Of course this is a very frank and confidential statement for you only. I have written Mrs. Thirkield, and she feels just as I do. If you can tell me when you will be in San Francisco we may be able to have some of our officers or Trustees meet you there. After hearing from Miss Oram, I will write you again.

I am sorry I cannot be with you September 20-21. Our Reconstruction and Business Committees will meet in Cincinnati. September 19-24.

Yours sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mary Leonard Woodruff B.

M.L.W./B.

Dictated but not read.

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WOMAN'S BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS

July 25,1922

The Woman's Board of Home Missions
of the Presbyterian Church,

156 Fifth Avenue, New York.

Dear Fellow Workers:

Yesterday I received from your Assistant Secretary the copy of the Resolutions concerning Chinese work in San Francisco which was doubtless designed for Dr. D. D. Forsyth, the Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension. It was sent to me at their address nanely 1701 Arch Street Philadelphia, and forwarded to me here without being opened. I at once returned it to Dr. Forsyth with the letter and hence have not the name of the Secretary who signed it. This explains the absence of the name above.

As Dr. Forsyth was not able to be present at the last meeting of the representatives of the Boards, he asked me to represent him, but naturally he will attend future meetings himself and I have thus sent the communication to him.

Very sincerely,

H. B. Johnson

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WHEREAS the Executive Committee of the Woman's Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church has received the recommendations of the meeting "of Representatives of Boards doing Oriental Mission Work on the Pacific Coast" which was held on June 29, 1922, to consider "cooperation in Christian activities among the Chinese in San Francisco", at which time there were present

> Dr. George L. Cady, Congregational; Dr. John A. Marquis, Presbyterian; Dr. Charles A. Brooks, Baptist; Dr. H. B. Johnson (for Dr. Forsyth) Methodist Episcopal; Mrs. Fred. S. Bennett and Miss Edna R. Voss, Presbyterian; Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff, Methodist Episcopal; Miss Florence E. Quinlan, Council of Women for Home Missions; and Rodney W. Roundy, Home Missions Council, and

WHEREAS the above group had been appointed at a meeting of the Joint Committee on Orientals held on June 7, 1922, to consider the reply of the Oriental Missions Council which met in San Francisco on March 22, 1922, to the tentative recommendations of the Conference of Board Representatives held in New York on February 27, 1922, relative to work among Chinese in San Francisco, whereas this Committee had been instructed to formulate a program that should be referred to the various Boards for action, therefore be it RESOLVED:

1. That the Executive Committee of the Woman's Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church desired to place itself on record as concurring in the feeling often expressed by the representatives of the participating bodies that the overlapping of Christian work among Orientals in San Francisco is neither efficient nor creditable to the participating bodies.
2. That recognizing all the difficulties in the way of such compromises as will be necessary to bring into existence a unified and acceptable program, the Executive Committee of the Woman's Board of Home Missions nevertheless urges that further conferences be held as soon as possible, at which there shall be present representatives of those denominations which are doing work among the Orientals in San Francisco, with a view to reconciling the various points of view and to securing unanimous recommendations that may be sent to the Boards participating in this work.
3. That these resolutions be sent to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on Orientals, who is also Chairman of the Sub-committee rendering the report of June 29, 1922, asking him to call the desired conference.
4. That copies of this resolution be sent to the Boards doing work among Orientals in San Francisco.

July -1922

Sent to Dr. Johnson
for Dr. Forsyth

CABLE ADDRESS: "INCULCATE NEW YORK"

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The Board of Foreign Missions
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156 Fifth Avenue
New York

OFFICE OF SECRETARY

CHINESE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
925 Stockton St, San Francisco

August
Second
1921

Miss Mary Tooker,
Carmel-by-the-sea
California,

My dear Miss Tooker:

The Chinese school in the church at 925 Stockton Street, opened yesterday with twenty pupils, with, one of the sons of our Mrs. Gee as teacher. We did not know that the Chinese schools were going to open yesterday until yesterday morning, so I put in rather a strenuous morning getting everything arranged for an opening in the afternoon. Miss Cameron was not available to talk the matter over with, as you suggested, so I went ahead and engaged Chu Yik Chiu as teacher and at a salary of $20.00 a month. I find by inquiry that that is the sum that the Baptists are paying their Chinese teacher. You mentioned $25.00, but this is sufficient, I am sure. I feel sure that we have secured a good teacher and a faithful one, and the school will grow.

We are cheered by the fact that our Protestant schools have opened with an increase in percentage over opening day last year. One denomination 50% and ours 30%. This is really very encouraging considering the efforts of our Catholic friends acress the street. They have opened with a big school, of course, but we seem to have kept our former scholars, for which we are thankful. The task ahead now is to put up some kind of a work that will appeal to the new pupils and attract them to our schools, or we shall surely lose out in a few years.

Yesterday I talked with Miss Cameron in the afternoon about what had been done, and she was good enough to say that a load had been lifted from her shoulders, and I hope, Miss Tooker, that you will approve of what I have done. As I told you before, this is not my part of the work, but I am only too glad to do this, for it would be more than I could stand to see our children go across the street, as they surely would have done had we not had a school here and on opening day.

Hoping you will have a restful vacation in that lovely part of the world, I am

Cordially yours,

Annie B. Laughlin.

Oriental School

Mrs. Laughlin -
923 Stockton -
Aug.

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101 ROTUNDA OF RUSS BLDG.
235 MONTGOMERY ST.

San Francisco, Aug. 19, 1921

Miss Mary R. Tooker,
Carmel,
California.

My dear Miss Tooker:

Your favor of the 17th inst., reached me in due time and contents carefully noted. It is quite a difficult matter to give an accurate appraisment of the building at 920 Sacramento Street for the reason that it was built for a peculiar purpose and for that purpose it is worth a good deal more than it would be for any other.

If our Y. W. C. A. friends should take it over as a Board Home and Headquarters for their girls it would answer as it is and in that case it would be worth more to them then to almost anyone else except it would be a headquarters for men in the same way.

If the building were to be made over into apartments or for anything of that sort it would need to be all torn to pieces and the expense would be so great that the building would not be worth nearly so much.

As building is today this building as it is, could not be produced probably for less than seventy or seventy-five thousand dollars. The lot is worth probably $15,000. I would think that if you were turning it over to the Chinese Y. W. C. A., if they were to give you $75,000 for the building and lot together, you would be giving it to them at a less price then they could put themselves into a like building for and you on the other hand would be getting a reasonable price from an organization that is doing a kindred work to your own.

These figures are gotten up hastily in order to meet the time requirements of your letter. After consideration and a chance to do some more figuring and get a better line on what could be done with the building in the way of changes, I might see fit to change them very materially.

If it were convenient, I would be glad to talk with you about these figures before you submit them to anyone.

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San Francisco, Aug. 19, 1921

Now as to the price of the lot on the corner of Clay and Joice Streets. The corner is 56x55 and the owner is out of the City and will not be in until the middle of next week. I understand, however, the price would be somewheres around $12,500 This I think is a big price for it, but it is owned by a man who has a way of getting the limit and giving only the minimum. As soon as he returns to the City I will try to get him to give me a more favorable figure and a little more difinite.

Trusting this may answer your inquiry to your satisfaction and glad to serve you at any time to the limit of my ability, I am,

Yours very sincerely,

Donald MacKenzie

DM/V.

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ROBERT S. DONALDSON, ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR

August 20, 1921

Dear Mrs. Bennett:

Dr. Marquis sent me memoranda in connection with the work among the Orientals in the U. S. I was in San Francisco for a week only and that during the very absorbing meetings of Synod, so that I did not have a very good opportunity to explore the subject. I talked it over, however, with our Dr. R. S. Donaldson, Associate Director of City and Immigrant Work, with headquarters in San Francisco, and also with Mrs. Laughlin who has charge of the Chinese work in California for the Foreign Board. I did not visit the schools in San Francisco.

As you know, the district divides itself between church work among Chinese and Japanese very largely in California, and the two schools in San Francisco and Oakland, conducted by the Occidental Board.

In Dr. Donaldson's judgment, this church work will be much more efficiently carried on if related more directly to the administration of home mission work in the Presbyteries. The work thus far has been conducted on a very conservative basis and with little community service. Where we have had a chance to put in Daily Vacation Bible Schools, we have seen very encouraging results. The work among the Japanese is largely a rural problem. If the proposed new Church Extension Board for San Joaquin Presbytery should secure the services of such a man as Rev. A. B. Keeler, Supt. of home mission work, in Washington, his very special observations and experience among the Japanese on the Pacific Coast, could be made valuable. In other words, so far as the church work is concerned, Dr. Donaldson favors the new arrangement and believes a very good program could be set up. The probability would be that if the Home Board took over the work, Dr. Sturge, who has so long been related to the Japanese work in California, would retire.

Concerning the school work in San Francisco and Oakland, I know very little, tho all I have heard is very commendable. Undoubtedly the San Francisco Chinese community has been tremendously overdone, with nearly every denomination having a hand in it. Mr. Brooks, of the Baptist Home Mission Society, is very urgent in favoring a cooperative enterprise. I am not sure what bearing this would have upon the work of the Occidental Board. It seems to me, however, it is at this point your own experience would be most valuable.

We have a very good precedent now in San Francisco in the Green Street Community Center which is at work among Italians and Mexicans. The Presbyterians, Congregationalists, Y. M. C. A. and now the Protestant Episcopal Church are cooperating in the maintenance of this center, not through a joint budget, but by each denomination furnishing a department with leadership and maintenance. The coordination is made through a joint committee of management and staff meeting under the chairmanship of a director chosen from the group. In principle, however, each denomination maintains a

direct line of responsibility from its headquarters to the field.

When you reach San Francisco, I would suggest that you get in touch with Dr. Donaldson, 278 Post Street.

I have written under the assumption that if the Home Missions Boards take over this work, our Board, in connection with the Presbyteries concerned, would assume the church and community work, and the Woman's Board would take over the school work in San Francisco and Oakland. Possibly this has not been the basis of discussion here at the home office.

Very sincerely yours

W. P. Shriver
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Mrs. F. S. Bennett
149 Dwight Place
Englewood, New Jersey

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ARCHITECT
MERCHANTS EXCHANGE
SAN FRANCISCO

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It seems so.

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To do all the above around $20,000.00

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Not for what No.920 cost, nor for what it would cost to remodel #920.

Will you consider the possibility of moving the back entrance and third floor for small suites or apartments?
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SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

2014 Fifth Avenue,
Oakland, California.
August 23, 1921.

Dear Katharine:

I was so glad to have your letter of July 1st, for it brought the good news that a decent rest is what you need to refresh and invigorate you. I sincerely trust you are now having such a vacation.

You certainly have the faculty of asking hard questions! Just why the June "Woman's Work" should have come out with the statement of the proposed transfer of Chinese Missions has never been explained. Dr. Schell completed the discomfort of the Occident Board people by announcing it at one of the biggest public meetings in connection with Synod. The Foreign women were awfully angry at him. I first heard it, early last winter, but as it was none of my business, said nothing about it. The Roman Catholics are doing a wonderful work in China-town--the best of any church, I think. The over-lapping of the Protestants is perfectly ghastly. Can you bring Miss Tooker over to our Board? She is now living at "920", acting super-intendant and I rather fancy doing the whole thing, including paying the bills. The late Dr. Halsey was exceedingly vexed with Donaldina Cameron because she secured from Miss Tooker the $5000. with which she started the Tooker Home over here in Oakland. He said he had been working for that money for China and that Donaldina had made the mistake of her life. The plans made for the new Tooker Home (Board has five acres adjoining Mills College) called for an outlay of $185,000. and this before building prices went soaring as they now are with us. I think you should at once reach Miss Tooker and get her thoroughly committed to your policy, whatever it may be, then you will be all right. She expects to return home shortly--but were I you, I would write her very fully and frankly.

I was very sorry that the Annual Reports did not reach us until over three weeks after Synod and our Annual Meetings had adjourned. In our figures, I always include in my totals, funds for Freedmen and for C. S. S. this makes my total just about what the Annual Report credits us, with $48,574.34-while mine is $48, 690.95 which is running closer to Miss Torrence's figures than I had ever hoped we could do. We are below our Apportionment, almost to the dollar, to what the Foreign Synodical exceeded its apportionment--and does not that same ratio hold pretty true to the Women's Board? How do you account for our slump and the Foreign Board's excess? In California, we did most of the tough organization work, while Foreign people came in heavy with between seventy-five and one hundred wonderful missionaries and heartbreaking special appeals. We had Miss

Dingman and dear Miss Stephenson, the former perfectly wonderful, but she spoke only at our annual presbyterials and she has not learned how to ask for "over and above" gifts. Miss Stephenson spoke (also after books had closed) at about a dozen churches and she made a most profound impression. If we could have her for a year in our Synod to visit our churches, our gifts wouldbe vastly increased. Is it possible? She is now in the Islands. I am perfectly heart-sick that our Synodical Society ran behind our own figures of last year for Current Work. This was because we came up so well for Christian Social Service.

The strike in San Francisco is most serious, we are doing nothing for our building and no one now dares predict anything. We had a pageant for Synod written by Dr. Bird and showing how the forty-eight nationalities in California helped to make California and of course we wanted Russia represented. It fell to my lot to talk to our Hill folks; I wanted twenty-five boys dressed as Russians; they said "no, no--we are not Russians--we are Californians" (considering that just two years ago, this same bunch of boys told me they would never be Americans, but were Russians and going back to Russia just as soon as they could get passports, perhaps you can imagine my amazement at this statement!) I pulled myself together, described the pageant a little more in detail and then casually added "of course, if you don't want to do this, I'll dress up some American boys as Russians"--"Oh no, we'll do that!" Then was asked the critical question. "How about the flag?" Long study--then somewhat slowly and regretfully, "You don't want us to carry the red flag, we won't carry the old Russian-------(a long, long pause) but we will carry the white flag for peace!"

When that little group of boys came along in the pageant, gayly dressed as Russians and carrying a huge white flag, the tears fairly rained down my face. Did you ever hear anything more pathetic.--Please whow this to our dear little Miss Acheson. There are two other "Hill-top" stories, I wish I could take time to tell but can't.

I must make time to tell you that the National W. C. T. U. has made a wonderful impression in San Francisco. Frankly, I was very sorry when I heard it was coming, because I feared our papers would do nothing but make sport of the whole convention. But they have not and have been most generous in space and wonderfully complimentary; we are all so thankful, for many felt just as I did. Mrs. Boole is the greatest success you ever heard tell about. She dresses beautifully, does her hair exquisitely and has hit it off so well with the newspapers that they give her columns of space; I told her the other day she better run for president of U. S.! One of our papers gravely announced that "her husband was a multi-millionaire, that she had a most enviable social position--but none of those things appeal to Mrs. Boole" so our paper says, "because she has set her mind on serving humanity!" She certainly is a great success and looks far younger than she did years ago.

Miss Gillies and her brother are here on their way around the world.

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We took our Indian twins to the baby show and they have a prize! We have state aid for them now and it is a very great relief and one has a tooth --most wonderful children!

What do you now think of joint Synddicals--with our own work tumbling down and the Foreign going away over the top? What is the matter with us? Do you think the Allaben fiasco hurt us to that extent?

Our Synod was really very wonderful; over twelve hundred registered in Classes; our women's meetings, Foreign as well as Home, were weak and unsatisfactory; we must devise a wiser plan for next year; for the Conference-Synod, lasting a week, the last part of July is with us to stay a while at least. Next year, we go to Dr. Freeman's church, Pasadena. Will you come?

I do trust that you are having a real rest and are fast regaining your accustomed strength, with very cordial greetings for Mr. Bennet, always

Affectionately yours,

Julia Fraser

P. S - This has just come to my desk. Our "school" opened last night - wonderful success - finest group of girls (most of them) I ever saw - Committee is guaranteeing fellowships for seven wonderful girls, till we can hear from N.Y. trusting WBd will come across with at least that number - I wish I had lots of money to give - This is greatest thing WBd ever did for Coast: a wonderful girl comes from Idaho!!

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San Francisco, August 24, 1921

Miss Mary R. Tooker,
Carmel,
California.

Dear Miss Tooker:

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Allendale, N. J., Sept. 1, 1921.

Mrs. F. S. Bennett,

149 Dwight Place,

Englewood, N. J.

My dear Mrs. Bennett:

Some time ago I wrote you in regard to our trip to the Coast, but as yet have not had a reply _ and so wonder whether my former letter has gone astray. If it is possible Miss Oram and I want to arrange to go to the Coast while you are there. I would be glad if you send me the approximate date that you will go to the Coast by September 15th. If Miss Oram and I go, we must begin to plan for it. Then the Business Committee will hold a meeting September 19-24 at which time we should make our plans to go.

It will be convenient for us to go to the Coast immediately after the National Meeting, which will be held in Providence, R. I., October 19-26.

It is a real grief to me that I shall not be present at the meeting of the Committee on Migrant Work, September 7th. I shall be returning from a vacation, but cannot reach New York in time for a morning meeting. Then too I am sorry that I cannot be present at the next meeting of the Executive Committee _ you will see from the above dates that I shall be in Cincinnati at that time.

Hoping that I may hear from you soon, I am,

Very sincerely,

(Mrs.) May Leonard Woodruff B.

Dictated but not read.

September 6, 1921.

Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff,
Allendale, New Jersey.

My dear Mrs. Woodruff:

I did not answer your letter relative to plans for meeting in San Francisco because I was so uncertain as to the possibilities of making the trip. However, it seems now as though I could meet you there on or about November 1st. I fancy the exact date would need to be decided a little later. In case anything should prevent me from going on, the General Secretary of our Board, Miss Dawson, will be there to deal with any complications there are in the work among Orientals. The further I go into this matter the more I am convinced that radical measures are necessary to put this work on the proper basis. So far as I can learn, practically no one is satisfied with the situation but no one seems ready to take hold and adjust things and it seems to me that we going from headquarters should be able to make suggestions that will lead to a solution of the present problem.

I am placing the date November 1st as I assume that you might want a day or two after your national meeting in Providence before starting for the West. In fact, I should fancy it would be November 4th or 5th before you would actually be out there. That, however, will be all right for me.

I am most sorry that you are not to be with us at the meeting of the Committee on Migrant Work tomorrow. Last week I went down to Delaware and Maryland and visited all of the stations. I have come home filled with admiration for the courage of those girls who through the heat have labored under difficult situations. We shall have to come to some decision soon as to the future of this work.

Unless I hear from you to the contrary, I shall be making my plans to meet you in California the early part of November but meanwhile I shall hope to see you as you flit in and out on some of your vacation times.

Faithfully yours,

MKB/ES

September 14, 1921.

Mrs. Rawlins Cadwallader,
1035 Geary Street,
San Francisco, Cal.

My dear Mrs. Cadwallader:

I am much ashamed that I did not at least acknowledge your letter of July 20th but it reached me when I was in Maine on a vacation and there really seemed very little opportunity to write. In addition, I had not my papers with me and was not prepared to go into many of the questions which were raised in your letter. I do want you to know, however, how very deeply I appreciate your beautiful spirit in this matter of the suggested transfer of work among Orientals from the Foreign Mission Board to the Woman's Board of Home Missions. It is not easy for any group to readily assent to the transfer of a beloved work to another group and I know that the work among Orientals has been dear to the hearts of very many of you. I have gone over the papers that you sent and have secured a good deal of light on some of the questions concerning which I was uncertain. You spoke of sending me a copy of the report of the Occidental Board of 1920 but such has not reached me and if it is not too much bother, I would be most grateful if you could send me another copy to my home address, 149 Dwight Place, Englewood, New Jersey. It is probable that I have by this time accumulated most of the information contained in that but I want to be just as clear as I possibly can and so would like to have all possible sources of information at hand.

Since I wrote you last, I have taken up with the Woman's Board of the Methodist Church the question of a Board conference relative to our work in San Francisco and I believe that such will soon be a possibility and we shall at least know the headquarters' attitude. I was most interested in the papers that you sent to know that the Presbyterians did definitely recommend that there should be a Joint Committee of Presbyterians and Methodists on work for girls rather than to divide the types of work. This is a helpful line of thought.

The more study we have put on this, the more we are convinced that it will be necessary to handle the matter in person rather than by correspondence and the Board has therefore asked me to go to San Francisco the latter part of October or early in November to study and to consult with those of you active in the work. It will be a very great pleasure to be in San Francisco and to have this opportunity of working with you and I trust that at our conference we shall be able to evolve a plan that will so readjust some of the work among Orientals as to meet the needs of these peoples in the most efficient and the most effective way possible.

I am supposed to be having a leave of absence and therefore shall not be able to plan for meetings while I am in California; rather shall I have to devote myself to the particular work that is taking me there and deny myself the privilege of meeting with the various societies. I hate to go to California after my long absence with any limitations but there are physical ones which must be considered. I am trusting that nothing will happen to prevent me from being there with you. With the hope of this it seems best to leave all further consultation until we may meet face to face.

Again expressing my very deep appreciation of your hearty cooperation and of your kind words to me personally, believe me that I am

Very sincerely yours,

MKB/ES

September 16, 1921.

Dear Julia:

The Oriental situation does not move very rapidly but I am encouraged in the hope that it may be possible to make certain readjustments if it finally be decided that the Woman's Board of Home Missions shall become responsible for 1920 Sacramento Street and for the work in Oakland. I have not only heard from some of the women of the Foreign Board but also have been in communication with women of other denominations relative to a re-studying of the whole problem of work in the city of San Francisco. I feel that all I can do at this long range is to glean information but that to reach final decisions way off here is out of the question and so while I am supposed to be on a leave of absence until January 1st, I am, nevertheless, planning to go to San Francisco somewhere along the latter part of October to see the work and bring back a definite recommendation to our Board. If such recommendation only concerned our own denomination, it might be prepared here but because of the need of consulting with others - in line with the recommendations of the Oriental Conference of last October - first hand information seems to be necessary. I am sorry to break into my leave of absence for I really am getting better and I know that if I could have rest for a few more months, it would be the beststhing but the work seems to need to be done just now and the Board has asked me to be the one to go. I am particularly sorry to go to California at a time when I must because of my voice deny myself the privilege of meeting with many of the societies or of being very active. I shall have to limit myself a very great deal I am afraid. When you see how husky I look for I have put on flesh, you will be disturbed that I cannot go the full pace but my throat is not yet up to par and a series of meetings would be too much for me. If you want one or two there will be no question about that. I had planned that when I did finally go to California, it would be to get into very close touch with all the women but that does not seem to be possible just now. I am not sure whether I shall come out alone or whether one of the Board members will be with me. She is just a little uncertain yet whether she can get away.

With every cordial good wish, I am

Faithfully yours,

MKB/ES

September 16, 1921.

Dr. William P. Shriver,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Dr. Shriver:

I feel most guilty that your letter of August 30th relative to Oriental work on the Pacific coast has not been acknowledged at an earlier date. I have been corresponding with different people and have been trying to find not only what the work is but also the attitude of many of the workers, Boards of Trustees, etc. relative to any possible adjustments. The report of the Oriental Conference of last winter made it seem imperative that we should at least attempt to make some conditions in taking over the work from the Foreign Boards. I do not know that the Evangelistic work is as badly complicated as the educational but all things seem to indicate that the latter has much duplication of effort and consequent lack of efficiency.

I am very glad to say that the attitude of those with whom I have corresponded has been most cordial and I have not only taken the matter up with the Presbyterians on the coast but also with the headquarters of other denominations. I now plan to go to San Francisco the latter part of October to look into the whole matter more fully and to consult with other as to possible changes in the work. If any further light comes to you at any time relative to this matter, I shall be most grateful for any help that you can give. It seems to me that we have a peculiar opportunity to help adjust a difficult situation and I am anxious that we should use that opportunity to the fullest.

Believe me that I am

Very sincerely yours,

MKB/ES

September 16, 1921.

Mrs. Katherine S. Westfall,
255 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Westfall:

I am sure that you in common with many others of us were extremely interested in the report that came from the Conferences on Oriental work that was held in California last October and unless I am greatly mistaken you were in attendance at the conference and you have, therefore, a much larger background for the reports than have I. I did not go to these conferences because in the Presbyterian Church U S A work among Orientals has always been under the Boards of Foreign Missions rather than under the Boards of Home Missions. Now, however, the former have made an overture to us of the Home Boards, asking that we become responsible for all the Oriental work in this country. This proposition is on the basis that as other denominations consider this Home Mission work, it is easier to consult than if simply one denomination has it under Foreign Boards.

Since the above proposition has been made to us, I have gone over the reports from the Oriental Conference with great care especially the report on educational work by Rev. Charles R. Shepard who is, I believe, the Superintendent of work for your denomination. Mr. Shepard in common with others working on the coast seems to feel that the method of work is not a credit to the Protestant Church; that thereq are too many denominations, too much overlapping and too much competition. Please understnad that I am coming to you having no background except that I have read and a little additional information concerning the work of our own denomination but I cannot but feel that in view of the very definite statements of those who know the work best that we at headquarters have very definite responsibilities for the continuance of conditions which are provocative of so much criticism.

I am planning to go to San Francisco about the middle of October to look into the whole situation and it is probable that Mrs. Woodruff will meet me there early in November to consider plans by which our two denominations at least might put the work on a more efficient basis. I have no way at all of knowing whose work is the most efficient, which school is succeeding the best; all of that I hope to learn while I am in California but I do feel that I do not want to go out there without some knowledge of the reaction of the various headquarters to the recommendations made by the conference which included both headquarters people and field workers. I shall be most grateful to you for any help or any expressions of opinions that could guide us in our deliberations.

The Chinese population is not large in San Francisco and as I understand it is constantly decreasing. What should be our general attitude toward work there? Do let me know what you are thinking along these lines and believe me that I am with every cordial good wish.

Most sincerely yours,

President.

September 16, 1921.

Dr. George L. Cady,
287 Fourth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Dr. Cady:

When the Committee on Orientals and Hawaians made its report to the Home Missions Council last January as to work on the Pacific Coast, I had no interest save a very general one as the work for the Presbyterian Church was at that time under our Boards of Foreign Missions. These have now asked the Boards of Home Missions to become responsible for all of this work; educational work thus coming to the Woman's Board of Home Missions. Since this overture has been made, I have read with deep interest and some despair the report of the Oriental Conference last October and your report made in January. While willing to make educational readjustments as the needs of the field may make wise, I must confess, nevertheless, a feeling of hesitancy in entering a situation as difficult and complicated as the Oriental situation is. San Francisco and Oakland are the two places where our Board would be involved and these seem to be two of the difficult spots.

I am going to California the latter part of October to look into this matter and I have enlisted the cooperation of Mrs. Woodruff of the Methodist Woman's board and she is going to join me in San Francisco for the purpose of considering on the field any readjustments. While it is true that the only specific recommendations made by your committee as to work for Chinese girls in San Francisco refer only to Methodist and Presbyterians, I am, nevertheless, wondering whether we might while we are there make some effort toward lessening the number of educational day and night schools so that the work may be placed on a stronger and wiser basis than that on which it is at present. This very lengthy explanation of the situation brings me to the reason for my letter, which is the hope that you will offer to me any further advice relative to the situation in California and that you will without hesitation make suggestions as to attempts that we might wisely make to help in solving a difficult problem. I shall be most grateful and remain

Very sincerely yours,

MKB/ES President.

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September 21, 1921.

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Mrs. F. S. Bennett,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Bennett:

Your letter of inquiry, of September 16th, is received, and I am much interested in your proposed trip to the Coast and the possibility of the Chinese work in San Francisco being transferred from your Foreign Board to the Board of Home Missions.

It has been my privilege to visit the Presbyterian work in San Francisco several times, and, in my judgment, it is a work that has been well worth while.

Undoubtedly with the new laws there will be a decreasing need for the particular kind of work which is being done in the Home. I was present at the conference last October, at which time Mr. Shepherd's recommendation relative to readjustment in Chinese work because of overlapping was presented. His report was especially upon Educational work. Efforts were made by the conference to come to some agreement whereby readjustments could be made, but no denominational representatives seemed willing to relinquish the work already in operation.

It is quite true that the Chinese community is small. On the other hand, intensive work among the Chinese in San Francisco has a reflex influence on China itself; while many are here to remain, some of the leaders go back and prove to be valuable workers in their own land. On the whole, I would say we are educating both Japanese and Chinese, that they may fit into our American ways and plans. In doing this we do prepare them to return to their own lands and exert a large influence in the various communities to which they go.

We have just had very encouraging reports regarding our Chinese School in San Francisco. We have an average attendance in the day school, I understand, of 150. I have had no reports regarding the corresponding work of other denominations.

If I can be of any further assistance, please call upon me.

Cordially yours,

Katharine D. Wentworth

KSW/EDW

Executive Secretary.

September 26, 1921.

Mrs. Charles K. Roys,
% Woman's Board of Foreign Missions,
156 Fifth Avenue, N. Y.C.

My dear Mrs. Roys:

Last Thursday just before Miss Hodge left for her long trip, I had a little talk with her about the work among Orientals on the Pacific Coast. Unfortunately, we got into new questions just before I had to leave to preside at a meeting and on thinking over our conversation, I feel that it is necessary that some of my conclusions be verified before we proceed further relative to this matter. Miss Hodge told me to take up with you any matters that needed consideration before I left for the coast - hence this letter.

It was our understanding when it was suggested in the early summer that the Woman's Board of Home Missions become responsible for the work among Orientals that the offer made to us had attached to it no conditions whatsoever; that the offer was that we should take over the administration of the work at as early a date as possible but that the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions should continue some financial responsibility for a period of perhaps three years; the Woman's Board each year assuming a larger amount of work until it had taken over the full financial responsibility, this financial adjustment to be decided upon later.

Just before we separated the other day, I understood Miss Hodge to say that the work would not be turned over except on certain conditions; the first being that we agree to retain Miss Cameron, the second condition is not so clear in my mind because of the haste but it seems to me that it was that we agree to continue the various forms of work now being done and specifically that we agree to continue the rescue work. Am I correct in my understanding and are there any other conditions subject to which the transfer would have to be made? I want to be very clear that we have not given any definite thought to changes but before we go into the matter, it is most important that we understand possible limitations as otherwise much time might be wasted and much confusion be caused. Of course, we with you deplore the fact that the possible transfer was made public so early, causing much talk before we can go into the matter.

I should like also to have my understanding on property matters verified. It is that there are now three pieces of property; (1) at 1920 Sacramento Street, (2) the Tooker Home in Oakland, (3) an undeveloped piece of land in Mills College, Oakland that was given by Captain Dollar and that these three pieces would be turned over if the work were undertaken by the Woman's Board of Home Missions. Miss Hodge also told me that the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions holds funds for a new building

to be erected on the third piece of property. She could not tell me, however, the amount of this fund but said it would be given with the work. Can you tell me how much this fund is and the size of the piece of land given by Captain Dollar?

I am sorry to come back on you for this specific information but as I said, Miss Hodge and I only had a short time and she was leaving immediately. It does seem important to have these matters clear in writing so that as we proceed we shall have no misunderstandings.

Miss Hodge further told me that Miss Tooker would be East at an early date. It seems to me most important that Miss Tooker and I should get together soon after her return. I wonder if you could let me know when she comes East and where I shall find her.

I shall appreciate it much if you can clear up all these questions and I am with every cordial good wish

Faithfully yours,

MFB/ES

1035 Geary St.,
San Francisco, Cal. September 27, 1921.

Rev. W. Reginald Wheeler,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

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The real number of cases rescued from immoral slavery is comparatively small. Not ten per cent according to the last report to the State Board of Charities and Corrections. When we consider that the immoral slaves have no standing in China it would seem that so far as a point of contact with missions in China is concerned that the rescue group is the least likely, and this is the only reason that was advanced for retaining the work under the Foreign Board. On the other hand, there are many reasons why it should not be retained. I will call your attention, just as one instance, and many others could be added, to the enclosed recommendation-Section 3-b, signed by Miss Tooker, Dr. Hall, Do. Johnson and me. At that time it was apparent that a distribution of types of work for girls would lead to endless discussion and misunderstanding over defining the types. Now, this confusion would be still greater if two Presbyterian Boards had to be considered.

If the reasons stated by the Foreign Board were sound when the Oriental question was first discussed they are still sound and the Occidental Board hopes the matter will be decided from the standpoint of basic principles, which would seem to be the only wise way. On no account do we want the Foreign Board to think that our women would let personal sentiment stand in the way of constructive planning.

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Jan. 1921

DATA ON WORK AMONG THE ORIENTALS IN THE UNITED STATES

Answers to Questions 1,9, 10, 11, 12 refer to work Conducted by the Woman's Occidental Board only.

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1. What is the attitude of the local representatives of the Foreign Boards on turning work among the Orientals over to the Home agencies?

The Woman's Occidental Board of Foreign Missions organized the work for the Chinese girls homes and day schools and has conducted them for nearly fifty years. When the question of turning the Oriental work over to Home agencies came up last June the matter was thoroughly discussed and, while there was a sentimental feeling against the plan, the reasons for so doing seemed wise and it was unanimously agreed that the time had come when all Oriental work should be turned over to the Home agencies, and we so advised the Woman's National Board.

Because of a recent suggestion that the rescue work be retained under the foreign Board another meeting of the Directors was held to discuss such a plan. It was the unanimous and positive belief that there should be no division but that the Rescue work as well as the other Oriental work should go under Home agencies.

The present Board of Directors, 15 in number, including four advisory members who were formerly directors, is composed of seven women who have been actively concerned with the Chinese work for more than twenty years and eight who have been on the Board for from two to ten years, Therefore, the conclusion arrived at has the background of the past as well as the forward look.

All members were either present at the meeting or interviewed, excepting two - one a very elderly lady living in New York City and the other the very newest member who happened to be out of town.

2 What would be the attitude of the Foreign Boards and their local representatives on combining Presbyterian enterprises among Orientals in the United States with other Protestant denominations? This would mean the withdrawal of Presbyterian forces from certain localities.

Somfar as I know it would be favorable for the most part.

3. Would the way be open without prejudice for other than evangelical and school work, such as social, community, industrial, etc.?

I think there would be no onjection.

4. Are there political complications or embarrassments connected with this work? Does it excite prejudice among Presbyterians in California and other Pacific Coast states?

No I think not.

5. Has it been possible for your missionaries to keep out of the political and economic disputes on the Pacific Coast by the presence of Orientals?

Yes.

6. Are the pastors of the Oriental Churches in this Country Orientals? Are any of them Americans?

I am not well posted, but think most of the Pastors are Orientals.

7. How much have the local Presbyteries to do with the directing of the policy of the work and its superintendence on the field?

Do not know.

8. Do you regard it as wise to continue school work among these people where there are good public school facilities?

Depends upon circumstances.

9. Have you a list of your enterprises?

Yes.

10. What equipment have you in the way of buildings?

Building and lot, 920 Sacramento St., San Francisco, Cal. ,
Value, not including furnishings - $80,000. to $90,000.
Building and lot, 955 Eleventh Street, Oakland, California,
Value, not including furnishings - $5,000. to $6,000.
Land, unimproved in East Oakland, value - no improvements,
about $5,000.

11. Who holds the title to these properties?

The Assembly's Foreign Board.

12. How much is your annual budget for this work?

$22,560.00

Granted by Assembly Board $18,322.00

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Jan. 1921

1035 Geary St.,

San Francisco, Calif., Sept. 28, 1921

Mrs. F. S. Bennett,
149 Dwight Place,
Englewood, N. J.

My dear Mrs. Bennett:

Your letter of September 14th received several days since. I mailed the report at once and trust you have received it promptly. Was sorry to know you did not receive one earlier but as I can't definitely remember sending it, there is a possibility that I failed to mail it. But as you say, you probably have the information from other sources.

You are doubtless correct in thinking that a personal investigation is necessary and if there is anything I can do to help you make the most of your time here, let me know. It has occurred to me that you will want to see all the holdings. I could arrange for you to be taken in a machine. Please let me know if I can be of service in arranging in advance with the people you may wish to see. Aside from the missionary people I wondered if you would like to see Miss Felton, of the Associated Charities, who is considered an expert in the children's department and in some ways might be helpful in the Chinese work.

Looking forward with pleasure to seeing you soon, I remain,

Very cordially yours,

(Mr Rawlins) Vulnia Caldwallader

THE WOMAN'S BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS
OF THE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE U. S. A.
156 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, N. Y.

MISS MARGARET E. HODGE, PRESIDENT
MRS. CHARLES K. ROYS, GENERAL SECRETARY
MISS JANET McMULLAN, ASSISTANT TREASURER

October 1,1921

Mrs Fred S. Bennett,
149 Dwight Place,
Englewood, N.J.

My dear Mrs. Bennett:-

I am more glad than I can tell you that the opportunity came to me to speak personally with you in regard to the matter of the work among the Oreintals on the Pacific Coast.

I was under the impression that the conference for representatives of the Foreign Boards had been booked for October 3rd to consider this whole question. It has been changed several times and at present October 11th has been fixed. You will be leaving the East before that, will you not? I will of course report to you by letter the full proceedings of that conference, but I wonder if in the meantime it would not be of value for you to look over the correspondence in regard to the transfer of this work. I am venturing to send you the entire file by registered post, addressing it to your home. If you will be good enough to return it to me at your convenience I shall be very glad.

May I say again how strongly I feel in regard to the way in which this work is to be transferred and may I assure you that,although I have just one vote in the matter, I shall stand solidly by my convictions!

I have asked Mr. Wheeler to make an appointment for Miss Tooker to see you when she is East and he will correspond directly with you.

I feel strongly that no matter what conclusions are reached n by the conference of our Foreign Board representatives on October 11th, they should not be considered final until you have seen personally the work and report your convictions,and that of the Home Board's, in regard to taking over the work.

I have looked into the matter of property in order to answer your question intelligently,and would report that so far as the San Francisco region is concerned, there are: (1) The Chinese Rescue Home at 920 Sacramento Street, present valuation of which is approximately $70,000.; (2) the Tooker Memorial School in Oakland, valued at a figure between $7000 and $8000.; (3) a plot of land in Oakland of about five acres near Mills College, for which Captain Dollar made a payment of $5000.; this is the site for the new buildings for the Chinese Girls School, which will take the place of the present school property recently purchased by Miss Tooker. The only funds which have actually been received for the new building on this site are $505.92 appropriated July 27,1921 by the Assembly's Foreign Board and received from the Occidental District of the Woman's Board. I am under the impression

that there is in addition to this a promise of a gift from among our jubilee contributions,and I will let you know,if I am able to find out about this. before you go West

Yours very sincerely,
Mabel M. Roys

General Secretary
(Mrs Charles K. Roys)

MMR-LMF

(Mrs Roys had to take a train before this letter was ready for her signature)F

October 7, 1921.

Mrs. Katherine S. Westfall,
276 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Westfall:

Thank you for your letter of September 21st relative to the work among Orientals on the Pacific coast. I am glad that Mrs. Coleman is going to see this work sometime this month, at least I assume that while she is there, she will be in San Francisco a part of the time for a conference with Mr. Shepherd. I wish that I might see her on the way but am afraid that as I go out via Montana and understand that she comes East via Denver, we shall not be able to meet. If she has any new word I trust that she will see that I have it in San Francisco.

I am going out, I am sure, without any preconceived thought as to what we should do. I am only clear that if the workers feel that the overlapping is extravagant and unwise, the whole thing should be given consideration for money for mission purposes is much too scarce for us to waste one penny if we know that we are wasting it. It promises to be an interesting experience to look into this work and I am keen to get at it.

With every cordial good wish believe me that I am

Faithfully yours,

MKB/ES

October 7, 1921.

Mrs. Charles K. Roys,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Roys:

I am most grateful to you for sending me the folder of material relative to the Oriental situation in California. I have gone over it with much care and appreciate your confidence in me in allowing me to have it. I will, of course, be careful what use I make of any information gleaned from the personal letters contained therein.

I am sorry that the conference of the Foreign Boards has been put off until October 11th but you may be sure that I will not leave for the West until I have had a definite statement from you as to the possible transfer of Oriental work. It would not seem worthwhile for me to go to the coast until I knew just where we stand on this question. I shall hope that I may be able to see Miss Tooker at an early date to go over matters with her.

I am sure you fully understand that we are not even mentally committed to any changes in theework. The only question in mind is that I must be very clear before I go as to whether I am absolutely a free agent in considering this whole question or whether there are limitations which I shall have to observe. One's approach, I need not say, is very different under these two circumstances. I shall do nothing further until I have heard from you after the conference and I meanwhile remain with every good wish

Most sincerely yours,

P.S. I am returning the material by registered mail.

I Copy given by Mr. Wheeler.
Oct. 16-1921.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE REPRESENTING THE FOREIGN BOARDS ON THE TRANSFER OF THE WORK AMONG THE ORIENTALS TO THE HOME BOARDS

OCTOBER 11th, 1921.

Present: Mrs. C. K. Roys, Miss Mary R. Tooker, Mrs. James A. Webb, Jr., Rev. William P. Schell and Rev. W. Reginald Wheeler.

Mr. Schell was elected Chairman.

Prayer by Mr. Schell.

The items on the Docket were taken up in order and action was taken as indicated below.

General condition upon which transfer should be made.

That the Home Boards take over the complete administration of all the work among the Orientals on the Coast, and that the financial obligation be transferred gradually during the next three years, with a third of the total of the current budget being taken over by the Home Boards each year.

Recommendations as to work among the Japanese

1. That we commend to the Home Board the experience of Dr. E. A. Sturge in his work among the Japanese, and hope that his counsel and advice will be of value to them in their taking up of this work.

2. That in view of the fact that the proposition outlined in the letter of Dr. E. A. Sturge of September 10th, with reference to the securing of funds for the new building of the Japanese Union Church in Los Angeles, has not been considered by the Foreign Board, we recommend that it be referred to the Board of Home Missions for consideration and decision.

Recommendations as to work among the Chinese and Koreans in San Francisco and California under the Assembly's Board.

1. That the Foreign Board express its confidence in the work done by Mrs. J. H. Laughlin in past years, and its hope that the Home Board will find her experience of value in dealing with the problems of the work for the Chinese and Koreans in San Francisco and California.

Recommendations as to work among the Chinese under the Occidental District of the Woman's Board.

(a) With special reference to the work in San Francisco

1. That the control and supervision of the work in the Chinese Mission Home, now at 920 Sacramento Street, San Francisco, should be in the hands of a local committee, with ultimate authority resting in the Woman's Board of Home Missions.

2. That very careful investigation should be made of the type of work carried on in the Methodist Home before union with that work is considered.

3. That the Committee representing the Foreign Boards emphasizes the invaluable service of Miss Cameron to the whole cause of the work of the Foreign Boards among the Orientals on the Coast, and expresses their united opinion that her continuance in relationship with that work is a sine qua non in its successful development by the Home Boards. They recommend that Miss Cameron be relieved as far as possible from detail work in the Home with duties outside the Home as much as possible, with special reference to immigration, court and rescue work, and that she handle all Court cases whether or not there is a union later with other denominations in this type of work.

4. That the Board record their recognition of the generous and faithful services of Mr. Monroe, Legal Counsellor, and Dr. Luttrell, House Physician, and instruct the Secretary for Work Among the Orientals to send to them both letters expressing the Board's gratitude and appreciation.

5. The general policy of the Foreign Board is in favor of a simplification of the type of service in the Home as speedily as this process may be possible, looking towards the transfer of "innocent" girls to the new school, in Oakland, the placing of business girls under the care of some other agency, preferably the Young Women's Christian Association, the transfer of boys to suitable surroundings, leaving in the Home rescued girls and court cases. This policy may result in the disposing of 920 Sacramento Street, and the building or securing of a house which shall be better adapted for the service of the two groups mentioned above- rescued girls and court cases.

The spirit and ideals in this type of work have given a predominant place from the beginning to the winning of the Chinese to acceptance of Christ as their Master and Savior, and to leading them to become his loving and faithful followers. The Foreign Board is confident that this aim and ideal will be kept continually in the foreground as the Home Boards plan for the future development of this work.

6. That the Foreign Board recognizes that one of the weak points in its work among the Orientals has been the lack of a strong industrial policy and that it recommends the development of such a policy with the suggestion that this might be carried out best by the importing from China of a good Christian industrial teacher who understands Chinese.

7. That the whole question of Night Schools, Primary Schools and Kindergartens, in Chinese and English, be carefully studied and revised in the light of a unified efficient system.

(b) With reference to the new Oriental School in Oakland

1. As to Building- We recommend that the plans already drawn for the building of a school on the Dollar property be considered and revised if necessary, and that two or three cottages be erected as soon as funds are secured.

2. As to Curriculum- That as far as possible the children be sent to the public and High Schools, as our experience in the past five years has proved this to be of value; that the Chinese language be taught in the Oriental School Building; that if necessary some industries to supplement those taught in the public schools be given a place in their training, and that the study of the Bible should be required.

3. As to Personnel- That immediate steps be taken looking to the securing of a new principal for the new Oriental School.

Miscellaneous

That in view of the long and efficient service of Miss Cameron to the Board, and the fact that she is in need of a rest, and also in view of other questions which have come up with which she desires to deal, Miss Cameron be given a leave of absence of six months with salary, with the suggestion that she go to China and attend the Conference in May 1922, and with the understanding that the expenses of the trip to the Orient be provided fpr through outside sources.

It was moved that this paper (Recommendations re Transfer of work among the Orientals on the Pacific Coast to the Home Boards) be referred to Mrs. Roys and Mr. Wheeler for rewording in the light of the changes made, and that they be instructed to send a copy to Mrs. Bennett before her trip to the Coast, and to bring the recommendations before the Executive Council at its meeting October 21st.

The Committee expressed its appreciation of the care with which documents with supplementary information and recommendations had been prepared by Miss Cameron, Miss Tooker and Mrs. Cadwallader; their value from the standpoint of additional information which they give with reference to the recommendations voted by the Committee was emphasized, and it was voted that they should be presented at the next Council Meeting of the Foreign Boards together with the recommendations of this Committee Meeting.

It was voted that after action had been taken by the Executive Council with reference to these recommendations and documents, a joint conference with representatives of the Assembly's Home Board and the Woman's Home Board be held, and Mr. Wheeler was appointed Chairman to arrange this Conference.

W. Reginald Wheeler

Secretary pro tem.

Extract from Mrs. Coleman's letter dated October 24, 1921.

"I was most fortunate in having a brief interview with Doctor Shepherd of Oakland. He told me that both Dr. Brooks of the A.B.H.M. Society and Mrs. Westfall were fearful of the reaction on the constituency if interdenominational adjustments were attempted in the work in San Francisco. I told him that as far as I was concerned I believed such adjustments should be made and I am not without hope that this may be brought about in time. I told Dr. Shepherd that you would soon appear on the Coast and that I was confident that you would seek an interview with him. He is, however, a very difficult man to put one's finger on and it was a most happy surprise that I was able to see him."

"We certainly must not overlap on any field and we must cooperate where possible along the very best and most helpful lines."

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c/o Mrs.M.L.Whaley
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My dear Mrs. Bennett:

At the request of Mr.Roundy I am writing to give you my views of what should be done to meet the situation in the Chinese community of San Francisco.

I do not need to rehearse the story of competitive armaments (ecclesiastically speaking) in that community which has received a larger amount of missionary money than any similar spot on the globe. Our denomination is facing the necessity of enlarging our present plant to make provision for our over crowded school and social activities. This is simply to go on in the same old way and make no adequate contribution to the solution of the problem.

I have proposed, and our officers council is supporting my contention, that Protestants unite in the erection of a Protestant Christian Center in the Chinese community which would provide for united social, educational and recreational activities, now carried on separately, and provide chapels for the various church organizations whose ecclesiastical affiliations we would not propose disturbing in any way. This would mean disposing of our denominational properties and reinvesting the money in a common center. This is the rough outline of the proposal.

The details present many problems, none of which are insurmountable if we once concede the urgency of the situation and the utter inadequacy of the present Protestant program.

We have as much at stake as anyone. We have as prosperous and well organized work, have as much to lose if there is a loss, and no more to gain than anyone. My sole thought is that we rise to a synthetic undertaking, sacrificing nothing of value, but gaining everything we each profess to aim for now.

Please pardon this hasty and sketchy statement which is all the occasion will permit.

Very truly yours,

Charles A Brooks

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November 17,1921

Mrs Fred S. Bennett,
278 Post Street,
San Francisco,Calif.

Dear Mrs Bennett:-

I think I wrote you in the note I sent you just before you left Englewood that the final form in which the recommendations for the transfer of the work among Orientals from our Board to yours appeared, was not shown to me until after Mr. Wheeler had taken it to you in Englewood. When I saw these recommendations there were two or three points in which I felt the wording was most unfortunate. I have had a revised copy made of these recommendations, which I enclose herewith.

In regard to retaining the services of Miss Cameron, you may recall that the recommendations as they were taken to you by Mr. Wheeler contained a sentence to the effect that the Board considered it a "sine qua non for the successful development of the work that Miss Cameron be retained". Since I do not feel that such a statement is true of any human being in relationship to any work, I very much regretted that these words were used. I am quite willing to speak in the highest terms of her work, but I do feel that the matter of retaining her is a thing for your Board to decide.

There was one other point about "control by a local committee" which I felt was put far too strongly in the original recommendations as sent to you. The San Francisco women themselves asked that the "control" be in New York, but that they want a cooperating committee in San Francisco. I am sure,however, that you have long since gone to the bottom of this entire affair and you will not need any more light on the situation.

Things are moving along here at headquarters. Personally I am greatly enjoying the fellowship with the workers of your Board which our new Interboard Administrative Council affords. It will be nice to have you back in January. I hope the trip is meaning a real rest and upbuilding for you.

Yours, with warm personal greetings,

Very sincerely,

Mabel M. Roys.

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November 23rd, 1921.

Mrs. F. S. Bennett,
c/o Miss Donaldina Cameron,
920 Sacramento Street,
San Francisco, California.

Dear Mrs. Bennett:

I am enclosing the detailed figures of the appropriations for the Oriental Work. The suggestion was that these costs be taken over by the Home Boards in three years, an equal proportion each year to be assessed to each of the two Home Boards.

The Foreign Board raised Mrs. Laughlin's salary from $1200. to $1400. and have also under consideration the advisability of increasing Miss Cameron's salary, and adding to the budget for the Chinese Church a probable amount of $500. a year.

I hope that these figures will be of service to you, and we shall look forward to seeing you on your return and to a final conference on this whole matter.

Sincerely yours,

W. Reginald Wheeler

Acting Secretary for
Orientals in U.S.

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To be returned - M.B.M.

November 23, 1921.

My dear Miss Tooker.-

Just a year ago at this time we were looking for you and your sister to come with great anticipation, and now we are beginning to have the same feelings about your return. Many years ago when on a first visit to a family of cousins, I had a great friend in the person of a small boy, now grown and having a boy of his own, because I told him bed-time stories. Once when we were wishing for things he told his wish which was that "Cousin M would stay a thousand years". In some such way we feel about you and your sister and we hope you are coming back to stay a long, long time.

We had some very interesting interviews with Mrs Bennett and Mrs L- while they were near us and appreciate the fact that they staid long enough to see some things as they are. One night we conferred in your apartment till nearly twelve o'clock and there were many other conferences at which I was not present.

I tried to lay before these two fine women the needs of our Chinese Y.W.C.A. knowing that they would see our National people in New York and that the Home Missions Council was concerned with the entire problem. Miss Cameron tells me you are to see Mrs Bennett in New York before you return and hear her findings. Mrs Bennett told me the last night I saw her that she thought the Methodist people would undertake the housing of business women as they are very loth to give up work for girls and yet desire their building to be more fully used.

I confess that I feel no particular enthusiasm about this plan as it is difficult for me to see it working. I am so strongly convinced that the Y.W.C.A. being inter-denominational is the one to do this if it is to meet a universal need and not the needs of just a few. A denominational home, it seems to me, will always be connected in the minds of the public with the church of that denomination and a denominational Board, especially any Methodist Board I have ever known will not grant freedom to meet the needs of the business women as the Y.W.C.A. can do.

If the present Home at 940 Washington St. is to be used, would it not be as hard to live down certain thoughts about it as it would if 920 Sacramento? You know we went carefully over that ground. Then beside this it is close to the Church and more intrenched in a Chinatown neighborhood, and some girls

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particularly students and travelers abject to that. I may be wrong about this, but I do not believe I am and I am moved to lay my thoughts before you.

The wall before us now seems to be that the Y.W.C.A. has no money and you know all about the reconstruction plans of the National Board etc, etc. Frankly, I do not see that plan working either, but am willing to be convinced. There are to be some modifications of the original plan, it seems which admits of a Field Committee and an executive, but the strength and initiative of the Field committee as we knew it seems to be shorn. I do not know if there is in the coffers of the National Board any special fund on which we could draw or not.

Mr. Lee tells me that Robert Dollar has made known his willingness to give $25,000 to the Y.M.C.A. building and to assist in raisning a like sum. The International committee will give $100,000 and the Chinese are supposed to get the remainder of the $200,000 needed. Half that amount would suffice for our needs and I feel sure. Robert Dollar would do for us too. The Chinese all over the country would respond in some measure to an appeal for a building for girls, although probably not as liberally as for boys.

If the Methodists do undertake the housing of business women, which involves social activities, etc, what is to be the future of the Chinese Y.W.C.A. We can do little more here than we have already done and it seems to me we will be overshadowed by the others when we have laid the foundation for something worth while and something which we can do if we are equipped. People trust us so fully for we have had identified with us such fine women, Mrs Chang, Esther, Mrs Chew and her daughters and others. Miss Lee who is assisting me is having the same confidence shown her and if we had an older woman for the home visiting we could go on doing increasingly the type of work we have begun and the housing too, which is after all connected with all the rest of it.

This is much as I am going to say on the subject but it is the fabric of my thoughts and prayers night and day. One may not care for one's own place but one cannot think of seeing one's work not go on. And you have put too much in it not to have it go on. Miss Cameron has been often and we have had some very close heart-to-heart talks. The other day while we were talking four or five girls came in as they do all the time, one for this thing and one for another, and Miss Cameron said "Oh I know the background of everyone of those girls and if you could

know what it means as I see it for them to have this place to come to so familiarly as they do."

I have stopped in the midst of this to welcome Esther who is home from Mills college for the Thanksgiving holidays. She comes here first for it is home to her and she feels tied to every part of it. Mrs Powell has just had her tonsils out but is coming again to-night for her discussion group. The girls have enjoyed her very much and she has made them think. We had a G.R. Tea for Miss Scott's work in China last week and Saturday we worked for the Red Cross getting $937 mostly in one dollar memberships.

You are to be envied seeing again as I have not for so many years, the East in Autumnal coloring. It is something I miss out here, although we have had a wealth of Madrone and other brilliant berries this fall.

With very warm regards to you both and a welcome for you when you come from all your friends at the Y.W.C.A.,

Faithfully yours,

Myrtle B. Mills

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November 30, 1921.

Mrs. Fred S. Bennett,
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Dr. John A. Marquis,
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Dear Friends: -

Dr. George L. Cady, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Orientals and Hawaiians, is preparing his Annual Report. Ought not some statement to be made concerning the proposed taking over by the Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church and Woman's Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church of the work formerly done for Orientals by the Foreign Boards of the Presbyterian Church? If so will you please advise as to what facts in this regard Dr. Cady should cover in his report?

Awaiting your reply, I am

Sincerely yours,

Rodney W. Roundy

Associate Secretary

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December 12, 1911.

Dr. George L. Cady,
287 Fourth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Dr. Cady:

I am just home from my trip to the Pacific Coast and find a note from Mr. Roundy suggesting that it might be desirable to have some statement in your Annual Report concerning the proposed taking over by the Boards of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church of the work formerly done for Orientals by the Foreign Boards. The Woman's Board of Home Missions waiting my report has as yet taken no action in this matter. I do not know as to the action of the Board of Home Missions but unless you hear some further word than this before preparing your report, I should fancy it would hardly be wise to mention the matter except in a tentative way.

Meanwhile I have come home very much stirred up in regard to the situation in San Francisco and I am most anxious to further all efforts toward some readjustment. My proposal is that we attack the Day School situation first and with the backing of the superintendents in San Francisco, I am prepared to make a definite recommendation to the Boards carrying on Day Schools. I want, of course, to work in close relationship with your committee in anything that may be recommended but I do not just know what the right procedure would be. I was asked to bring these recommendations back to the Boards. Should they come to your committee and from it to a sub-committee made up of representatives of the Boards actually working in San Francisco? I shall be glad to have any suggestions you may wish to make.

Very sincerely yours,

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December 14th, 1921.

Mrs. F. S. Bennett,
Council of Women for Home Missions,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City, New York.

Dear Mrs. Bennett:-

I am writing to you as President of the Council of Women for Home Missions to tell you that Miss Mary R. Tooker, General Manager of the Occidental Homes and Day School is now at her home in East Orange - 50 Evergreen Place, and will be here for several weeks longer. The suggestion has come from San Francisco that she might be able to give important information to the Council of Women when they are discussing the whole situation concerning work for foreigners on the Pacific Coast, and I therefore am taking the liberty of suggesting to you as its President that she will be glad to come to any meetings that you wish her to attend and to give you any information or help which she can in the matter.

May I also write to you as President of the Presbyterian Woman's Board of Home Missions and tell you how glad we are that you have been able to take so much time for studying our Presbyterian problem there as well as the indenominational one. We have had most happy reports from our women out there of the joy they have had in working with you, and you have quite won Miss Cameron's heart. Hoping that I may be able to see you soon, believe me,

Cordially yours,

Margaret E. Hodge

December 14, 19.1.

Mr. Charles A. Brooks,
23 East 26th Street,
New York City.

My dear Dr. Brooks:

I was most appreciative of your letter of October 27th which reached me at San Francisco. I was so busy in San Francisco and after leaving there moved so rapidly from place to place that I was not able to acknowledge your letter and to thank you for it.

I knew before I went to California that the situation in the Chinese community of San Francisco offered difficulties but did not fully appreciate how many complications there were. I held many conferences with those in charge of the work being done by the various denominations and feel that if the National Boards are prepared to approve an entirely new program this will not be opposed on the field. All were agreed that the first point of attack must be the organizing of an interdenominational Day School adequately housed, properly graded and efficiently taught. Until this has been done the present properties are needed and as there seemed locally no objection to this step, it seemed to all of us that this would be the first definite proposition. I have written to Dr. Gady, Chairman of the Committee on Orientals for the Home Missions Council asking him whether any propositions should come through his committee as it was the work of that committee which originally brought this matter before us as an interdenominational group. I feel strongly that if we are to take this first step it should be done in January when the Board representatives are in New York so that we might plan for work to begin in the new school in September 19.2. It is unquestionable that a strong factor in leading the local people to a realization of the need of a new program has been the fine Catholic School which has come into Chinatown and which has a large enrollment and seems to be doing very good work.

With all hope that we may be able to get together at an early date believe me that I am

Very sincerely yours,

MKB/ES

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Mrs. F. S. Bennett
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My dear Mrs. Bennett:

Your letter came to hand this morning, just as I was going to write you for your conclusions after your visit to the West. I should be very glad indeed if you would send me these definite recommendations, that they may be incorporated in my report as matters at least of news, as I am striving to present an optimistic report and finding it somewhat difficult.

The fact of the case is, we have been saying some pretty strong things now for two years and we had one rather memorable conference out yonder a year ago last October, and we do not seem to have made much more than a dent upon the situation. We have roused some sentiment and thinking, I am quite sure, but nothing has actually been done.

Now, I should like to present a report which will really look as though we were getting somewhere. I have something from the Baptist Church in regard to their attitude and if you can send us these definite recommendations with permission to use them, I shall be more than glad.

I hope that the matter of the adjustment of the Oriental work between the Boards in the Presbyterian Church will not wait too long. Just now we are anxious to have the Presbyterians decide about matching our appropriations for the new Japanese church in Los Angeles. I am quite sure that they are willing to go fifty-fifty with us in that work, as elsewhere, but just at this time, of course, their action is being delayed on account of the pending transfer of the Oriental work to the Home Boards, if it is done.

May I ask that if you possibly can you will send me these recommendations in a day or two, as I am eager to get my report out immediately.

Very sincerely yours

Geo. L. Cady

George L. Cady, Sec.

December 23, 1921.

Dr. George L. Cady,
287 Fourth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Dr. Cady:

I have been away from home practically every day and not able to get any report relative to Oriental work to you. I do not know when the General Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church will act on the question of Oriental work but think it doubtful whether they can do so before the meetings of the Council. This, I think, is unfortunate. The Woman's Board of Home Missions will probably act on January 3rd but that will not be in time to be noted in your report. Under these circumstances I find my own relation to this matter somewhat difficult and hardly know in what form to send you any material. I will, however, enclose you a brief statement that you will use as seems wise. It seems to me that the only way perhaps that we can get anywhere will be for the Council to ask that the recommendations be referred to a small committee representing the Boards involved. Discussion in the Council itself is too brief to be of value and brings up opposition without opportunity to clear the matter. Personally I would be most satisfied if we could get as far as having the immediate reference of these questions put in the hands of the Boards concerned with a committee having a sympathetic chairman. You will use any of this report as may seem best to you.

Faithfully yours,

MKB/ES

December 22, 1921.

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Having had two weeks in San Francisco all of the time in close touch with the work being done by the various denominations in Chinatown, I came to feel that the present situation there has been of slow growth and that it will therefore take time to solve the difficulties that have developed. One hopeful fact was that both superintendents and workers among the Chinese have become anxious for such readjustments as can make the work more effective. That recommendations may be clear, a brief word may be permissible as to the present situation in San Francisco's Chinatown. (Locations of the various buildings may be noted in the accompanying map.

The following denominations have church buildings there:

Baptist
Christian
Congregational
Cumberland Presbyterian
Episcopal
Methodist
Presbyterian

There are also two independent churches which are off-shoots of the Chinese themselves; (1) "First Chinese Christian Church".; (2) Independent Baptist Church. The Y.M.C.A., the Y.W.C.A. and Salvation Army also have work in this district. It is interesting to know that the Cumberland Presbyterian Church has erected its new building since the recommendations of the Oriental Conference. The Roman Catholic Church has purchased a large amount of property in the very heart of Chinatown and has established a church Day School and Night School. It is doing club work and has purchased property for a hospital. According to the school census there are 1485 Chinese children of school age in San Francisco. For them the city has built an "Oriental School" which has 780 pupils and is crowded full. I found that all the Evangelical Churches except the Congregational are carrying on Day

Schools with an approximate attendance of 500. Even in the Day School a number of these were beyond the school age. The Roman Catholic Church claim an attendance of 300 although there were not so many in attendance when it was visited. Night Schools are carried on by all of the churches, Roman Catholic and Evangelical but many of the pupils were of school age almost as many as were adults. While the church buildings were planned for school work, many of them are over-crowded, have not sufficient light or air and some are peculiarly inadequate as to equipment. The schools are well attended but the large groups are in the Kindergarten and Primary classes, the children ranging in age from three to eight. There are ever lessening numbers in the higher grades and few were doing work beyond the fourth or fifth grade. Each school had an ungraded group of larger boys and young men handicapped because of the lack of English. There were few girls in these grades.

The entrance of the Roman Catholic Church with an aggressive policy has brought a new situation into Chinatown. Two points of view were given me by workers; (1) That the Chinese think of the Roman Catholics as simply one more of the Christian churches. The other was that the Roman Catholics are stressing the fact that they are the only united church, and that the others cannot agree among themselves. All agreed, I think, that children and young people attend both the Roman Catholic Church and one of the Evangelical Churches as clubs or classes interest them.

A most interesting conference was held at which were present:

Dr. Shepherd, representing the Baptist workers
Dr. Hinman, representing the Congregational workers
Mrs. Laughlin, representing the Presbyterian workers.

There were also present Mrs. Woodruff and Miss Oram from the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church and Mrs. H. C. Louderbough and Mrs. Bennett, representing the Woman's Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church. Particular attention was given to the question of the

Day Schools and this group agreed in recommending to the National Boards responsible for work in San Francisco that all Day Schools now carried on in the churches should be closed and that there should be one well equipped Christian Day School. It was the general thought that this school should, because of the peculiar conditions exisitng in Chinatown, be placed on a basis similar to the Gary plan, having Chinese teachers for the classes in their own language and having supervised play. It was further agreed that a joint committee representing the denominations involved should be formed which should have the supervision of this school. This informal committee expressed itself as feeling that it would be unwise to attempt any drastic changes in the brief period but that this should be an outgrowth of the experiment of a united Day School.

There being present in San Francisco at the same time, two representatives of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church and two of the Woman's Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church, careful consideration was given to the recommendations of the Committee on Orientals that these two groups should look toward a union of their work. It is a pleasure to report that following the recommendations referred to, many conferences were held by these representatives. The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church has given up its rescue work and is leaving that entirely to the Presbyterian workers. The latter have plans for separating the rescue work from the work for "Innocent" girls which it is hoped may make it possible to remove the latter girls from the city of San Francisco, leaving the Methodist Home the only one for that group in the city.

I came away from San Francisco much impressed with the cordial desire that the present problems shall be solved and with a full belief that only a little patience is needed to place this work upon a more effective basis.

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per file

Dec 27, 1921

My dear Mrs Bennett;

I am filled with shame when I realize that I did not answer your letter of Nov. 20th, asking for a statement of the Chinese work. Upon receiving your letter I phoned Mrs Gilliland and she told me she had sent a statement of the salaries paid, to 851 Calif st the day before you left and that she had just sent an itemized statement to Miss

Miss Parker of the entire
expense but that she had not
kept a copy and could not
go to the trouble to make
another statement and I
felt that I could not insist
for I knew Mr Gilliland had
been very much over taxed
on account of illness in the
family and at best it would
be but a partial statement.

It has always been difficult
to handle the finances and simply
cannot be done by the ordinary
volunteer worker. I had hoped
that Miss Parker long ere this
would have had a definite plan
worked out but what with the
various things that have come

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in her during the time she has been our Manager she has not yet succeeded in doing this.

No doubt we this reaches you definite plans will have been made and if at anytime I can be of service I hope you will call upon me and I will promise to be more prompt than in this case

Very sincerely Yours
(Mrs Rawlins) Victoria Cadwallader

Date December 29, 1921.

Station Oriental Work on the Pacific Coast.

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The Field Work Committee recommends:

That in the event the Board of Home Missions takes over Oriental Work on the Pacific Coast, the Woman's Board on April 1, 1922 take over from the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions the Oriental Work which that Board has been conducting on the Pacific Coast, with the understanding that such readjustments be made in the work itself and in the administration as changing conditions may demand.

Because the Budget of the Board for 1922-23 has already been allocated and no funds are available for so large an additional work it is further recommended

That instead of the proposition of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions that in releasing the work it contribute to the Woman's Board of Home Missions $12,000 the first year and $6,000 the second year, another be substituted, namely; that the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions contribute toward this work $18,000 the first year, $12,000 the second year, and $6,000 the third year.

That the Woman's Board cooperate heartily in an effort to have all denominations now at work among Orientals ~~on the Pacific~~ Coast unite in carrying on a union day school. in San Francisco

Approved by Woman's Board

Date Dec. 3 1921

Secretary

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Clerk of the Board

Date

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